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El Alarado '88

Clayton D. Flynn

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Carol
 ("Hey Dade!")
 It was one great year!
 Thank for being a great
 friend. Let us not forget
 memories from snowball
 and Frisco!

Zylas,
 Naomi (Junior Mint)

Carol,
 You're a wonderful person
 with a great attitude. Take
 fun in the years to come. Times
 Remember the good times,
 and you'll be happy. When
 your wishes come true!

Carol
 your a real
 nice gal stay out of
 way AND stay out of
 trouble
 Love
 Sam Johnson

Carol,
 You're a great year
 chick! (even if you're just
 kidding!) no really, you're
 a special friend.
 The world treats you
 the best year the best
 Senior year the best
 Love, Jeff

Carol, you're a sweet girl.
 Hope you have a great
 year, and good luck in
 the future!
 Her.

Carol,
 I hope you're
 really doing
 well. You're
 a great person
 and we
 love you.
 Love,
 Jeff

Carol,

To a great friend, that I
had a fabulous time with in
Kuhne's class last year! Let's
stay great friends a long
time to come & ~~lets~~ let's have
a fabulous time while you
here your last year!

Love ya sis!
James
Kepley

Carol,

To a great Friend!
and I hope you stay
that way & never
change!

Carol,

To a real
nice person who
I had a fun
time with in
Mr. King's class.
Good Luck in
whatever you do
in the world
after high school.
I hope we can stay friends.

Love,
abby
Lu

Class of '89
is the Best.

Sincerely yours,
Tracy Holland

Alamosa High School
401 Victoria Avenue
Alamosa, CO 81101

Carol,
We may not
always be the best
of friends, but with
any luck we won't have
any fights. Good luck with
Norman but don't forget your plans
for the future just for him. Reach
for the stars & maybe you'll get
one.

Love
April
"90"
rules



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"WHEN WILL THIS history class ever end," waits Aurora Medina, Vida Senkus, Ingrid Hermanson, Mike Sanchez, and Brandon Alencio.

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HAVING PROBLEMS with his helmet, Craig Terpstra (above) receives help from coach Dave Martinez. (Right) Brook Williamson, Andy Zanaki, and Eddie Tolama decide on the yearbook theme.

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"WE'RE HALL BUDDIES," say Becky Mattick, Terry Christensen, and Dyan Davis (above). January snows kept temperatures low at AHS, with snow melt taking weeks.

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Nobody wants to be forgotten.

Students passed through these halls only for a short time, and most couldn't bear having their memories dissolve as quickly as their diplomas touched their palms.

School was composed of all kinds of people, all searching for someone or something to believe in, all hoping to make an impression that would last a lifetime or longer.

If it weren't for athletes, intellectuals, nerds, studs, beauty queens, jerks and jokesters,

this year would not have been much different than any other; and any attempt to be unique would have been useless, hopeless, discouraging.

Not to worry.

For some, the chance to do one unforgettable work of art, score a winning last-second touchdown, or finally get an A on a semester final has passed, but what others have accomplished is written on the board, so...

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"AHH A BREATH OF FRESH AIR," gasps Wes Carter after finishing first in the spaghetti-eating contest.





"ARE WE HAVING FUN YET?" asks Melissa Wooten of Jeff Johnson and Janet Honeycutt. Breta Bervig, Mark Jones and Benito Martinez enjoy the dance.

SYLVESTER (Scott Garcia) AND TWEETY (Rosalie Maestas) calls a truce for the evening.

Let the good times roll.

School spirit made a return performance in '87 proving once again that a spirit never truly dies...only fades a little. Most of the return to glory was due to extra hours and uncommonly good work on the part of various clubs. Dances were more successful, busier and most importantly — more fun.

It took a while, but it was well worth the wait.

Our Good Times

El Alarado honorees selected

Mr. and Miss El Alarado were chosen this year by the entire student body. All candidates from the senior class had a cumulative 2.5 grade point average and were active in school.

Verla Rutgers and Marwin VanRy received the majority of the votes, making them royalty for 1988. Rutgers was also chosen 1988 Ski-Hi Stampede Queen, yearbook editor and has served as an FFA officer for three years. VanRy, senior class president, was active in National Honor Society and wrote a regular column in the student newspaper, *The Alamosan*.

Attendants included Tami Krout and Robbie Jackson, Kathy Seese and Dennis Wheeler, Cammie Newmyer and Darren Mizokami, and Ximena Gonzales and Wesley Carter.

Krout has been an all-state basketball player since her sophomore year along with lettering four years in volleyball. Jackson, also involved in basketball, was president of National Honor Society.

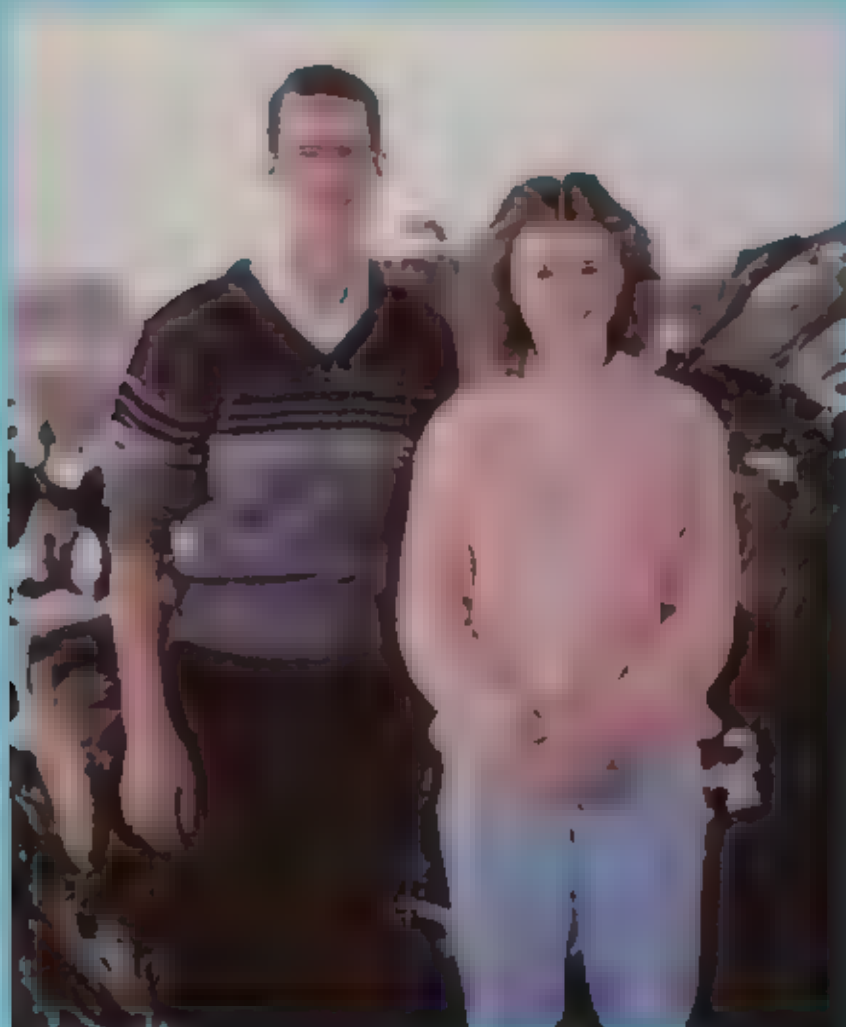
Seese was active in gymnastics and National Honor Society. Wheeler participated in football, wrestling, and was an *El Alarado* staffer.

Newmyer starred in the school play and performed in the band. Mizokami, captain of the varsity football team, was elected All-Valley player as well as playing on the varsity baseball team.

Gonzales was an avid runner and a state placer in cross country and track. Carter competed in the State Industrial Arts Meet and played basketball.



EL ALARADO ROYALTY Verla Rutgers, Marwin VanRy



ATTENDANTS Robbie Jackson, Tami Krout

ATTENDANTS Commie Neumyer, Darren Mizokami



ATTENDANTS Ximena Gonzales, Wesley Carter

ATTENDANTS Kathy Seese, Dennis Wheeler



SPIKING FOR JUNIORS, Brad Widhalm gets a needed point to take first place in the volleyball competition

ROWDY CROWD: Robbie Jackson, Kevin McHugh, Dennia Wheeler, Alex Lopez, Casme Lucas, and Eva Rutgers



APRIL KOOIMAN and Brian Hudiburgh dance to the rhythm of the night.

THE COACH'S WIFE, Jill Wasinger, chats with Naya Bloom, Stephanie Johnson and Lynnea Manzanares at half-time





DEMONSTRATING "THE BIRD" are Julie Hensley, Eugenio Quintana, Karen Rubidoux, Wesley Carter, Connie Garcia, and Shawn Rubidoux.

"THE G.Q. LOOK is definitely in," say Marwin VanRy and Alex Lopez.

Spirit colors Homecoming

Homecoming week at AHS finally proved to Alamosa that school spirit wasn't gone, only hiding for the last few years. Students threw away any high society images, let their hair down, and joined in the activities sponsored by the Student Council.

Once Homecoming was under way there was no stopping until the dance on Saturday night after the defeat over Buena Vista. Monday evening began the week with a talent show in the auditorium, drawing a large crowd. Tuesday night ended all anticipation as Casey Gibbs and Lori Thomas were crowned king and queen at the coronation M.C.'d by favorite personalities Alex Lopez and Marwin VanRy. The ceremony was followed by the boys' volleyball game, in which the juniors proved that older isn't

necessarily better as they beat the seniors in the finals.

A varsity volleyball game began Thursday's activities while the Junior Class sponsored a chili supper in the commons area. The pep rally and traditional bonfire rounded out the evening, leading to Friday and games day. Classes competed against each other, while the seniors finally proved their seniority (pun intended) and arose victorious.

The Gridders proved that maroon and gold were the "Colors of Success" as they burned the Buena Vista Demons Saturday. Saturday night capped off the week with a bang, as couples danced to the music provided by Super-Sound One. "It was the best Homecoming in a long time," commented David Price, student body president, "I was impressed."



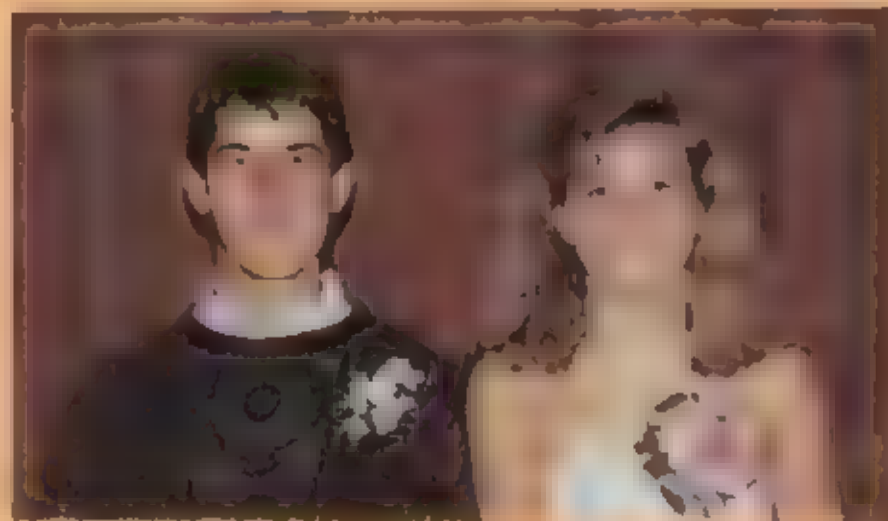
HOMECOMING ROYALTY King Casey Gibbs, Queen Lori Thomas

JUNIOR ATTENDANTS Brad Widhalm, Lisa Thomas



SOPHOMORE ATTENDANTS Steve Clayton, Cherl Simpson

FRESHMAN ATTENDANTS Josh Bloom, Gretchen Wagner



Royalty radiates 'Colors of Success'

Homecoming royalty, selected in the first popular election of the school year, represented senior and underclass favorites. Honored at the Homecoming football game and in week-long festivities, King Casey Gibbs was a football star named to All-Valley (SLV), All-Conference, All-State Offensive and HM All-State Defensive football teams. In addition Gibbs was a star wrestler, taking district at 155 for three years and a third and fifth in state competition. Queen Lori Thomas was active in National Honor Society and was selected royalty for several dances.

Senior nominees included Justin Hensley and Stephanie Johnson, Kevin McHugh and John Phillips, Eddie Tolsma and Michelle Davis.

Classes selected juniors Brad Widhalm and Lisa Thomas, sophomores Steve Clayton and Cheri Simpson, and freshmen Josh Bloom and Gretchen Wagner as attendants.

Hensley was a two-year All-SLV, All-Conference and All-State football player as well as Player of the

Year for the SLV, and a wrestler. Johnson was a state-qualified gymnast, winter sports cheerleader, Student Council (SC) member and NHS member.

Art awards as well as athletic awards came frequently to nominees Kevin McHugh and John Phillips. McHugh was a runner for cross-country and track and active in SC. Phillips, an athlete-scholar, was All-Conference, All-SLV, and All-State in football while also playing basketball.

Tolsma won state journalism awards, a Kiwanis academic award, was in SC and active in NHS along with being a top basketball player.

Bowen and Davis were also award-winning yearbook and newspaper staffers as well as fall sports cheerleaders. Davis was also in SC.

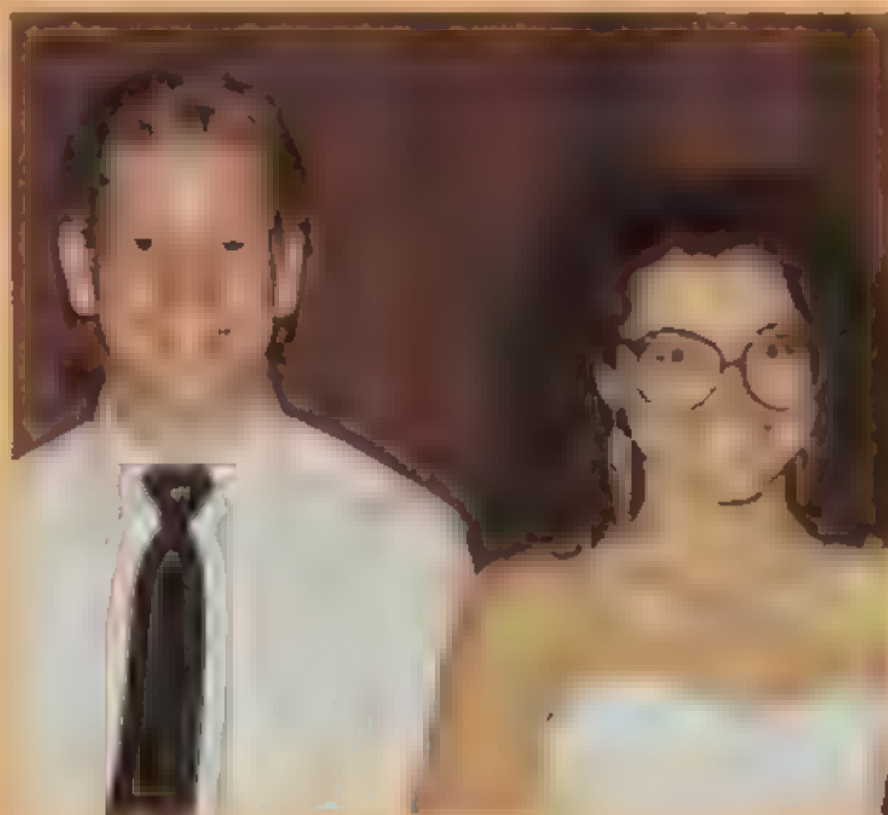
Gomez's main interest was music as she participated in band and a local mariachi group which performed all over the state.

Underclass attendants were also active in sports and school activities.



SENIOR CANDIDATES Justin Hensley, Stephanie Johnson

FRESHMAN CANDIDATES John Phillips, Donna Gomez



FOOTBALL CANDIDATES Eddie Tolsma, Michelle Davis

JUNIOR CANDIDATES Kevin McHugh, Branden Bowen





"PLEASE COME DANCE with me," Janet Sears asks David Price.



"SEALED WITH A KISS," as Kim Porter and Weslev Carter tie the knot.

Run, boys, run!

That was exactly what they did, too, with determined girls right on their heels. This year for the annual Sadie Hawkins Dance, girls schemed and connived ways to chase their men to pin them with the traditional dogpatch. If caught and pinned, that guy had to go to the dance with the girl that pinned him. To many students, it was a great time! The girl caught the guy she wanted, and the guy was glad he was caught by her, but to others it was a constant fear. Girls feared that someone would get their man

ROBIN NOE and Tanya Trujillo exclaim, "Look, we have two and one half guys apiece!"

before they did. The biggest fear, however, was from the boys. They were constantly looking over their shoulder to make sure that "she" was nowhere near. If "she" was, they would break loose down the halls to escape to the boys' restroom. Some were lucky, some were not. The chase lasted for three days before the dance.

The dance was held from 8 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Dec 11. During this time, many dates were thrown in jail for things like not being with their dates at all times. Bail was set at one dollar. Such things as mock weddings, where couples received their marriage licenses, made this year's dance memorable.



KEVIN McHUGH really knows how to "get down" country style.

AFTER THEIR "WEDDING," Tamra Burger and Ray Sholey cuddle together at the Sadie Hawkins dance.

Sno-Ball becomes informal soc-hop

Sno-Ball melted this year, changing from the form of a semi-formal ball to an informal soc-hop after a basketball game. Last year's innovation of naming royalty but no king or queen was continued.

Senior representatives were David Price and Kristi Jones. Naya Bloom and Todd Davis represented the junior class, while the sophomores nominated Eva Rutgers and Ben Caton.

Freshman honorees were Tohy Campbell and Lauri Verpstra.

The dance began immediately after the Mean Moose basketball team defeated the Pagosa Pirates, with people dancing into the night to recorded music. In keeping with tradition, snowflakes, snowflakes and more snowflakes created the decor that added to the cheerful evening.



"HOLD THAT THOUGHT," states Sandra Abeyta to a puzzled Robert Espinoza as they wait for a dance number they like better.



RESTING THE FEET appears to be the main concern of dancers Meadow Stagner, Phil Chavez, Kristy Brunelli, and Eric VanGieson.



SNO-BALL ROYALTY includes Lauri Lirpatra, Toby Campbell, Kristi Jones, David Price, Naya Bloom, Ben Caton, and Eva Rutgers. Todd Davis is not pictured.



At the S.C. Lakeside Center all the students from the district showed up to enjoy the evening. **Sears, Sloan Henderson, and Naya Bloom** are pictured.

TIME OUT FOR FUN Dennis Wheeler, Marwin VanRy, Jennifer James, Kevin McHugh, and Melvin DeHerrera show their enthusiasm for the evening.

"HUH? WHERE AM I?"
Mr. Mike Kuhne awakes from a nap taken on the bus after a long day at a Forensics meet. His team won sweepstakes at the meet held in La Junta on January 30.



Well-loved teacher to leave AHS

Because he plans to attend school to work on a Ph.D in English, this was Mr. Kuhne's last year at AHS. Here, "The Kuhn," as he is affectionately known, has been an immense favorite of English students, forensics members and the volleyball team alike.

"If I don't do it now, I probably never will," Kuhne responded to his reasons for leaving. Kuhne has established a reputation for creating an atmosphere that allows creativity and individuality in students while making English — not everyone's favorite subject — fun. In addition his volleyball teams improved steadily each season while his forensics teams compiled records never before seen at AHS.

With all these responsibilities Kuhne always had time to counsel students with personal problems. His

easy going, fun-loving personality made him an extremely popular person. His stories of his own youth, many of which have their own little morals, were just as popular as he was.

He also organized and sponsored the "Sunburn Classic," a local volleyball tournament which provided needed recreation and raised funds for the American Cancer Society.

"I never liked English until I had him. He makes you work, but he's still your friend," stated student Jeff Gilmore. "And, oh, yes, Aristotle: never forget Aristotle!"

No need to fret! Even though Kuhne will not be around, according to his many loyal students and friends, "He will always be in our hearts!"

Forensics team breaks all records

Competition and participation in Forensics was the best ever! Debate class, taught by Mr. Mike Kuhne, encouraged a new breed of students to join. "Mr. Kuhne talked me into it, so that's why I joined," commented Leslie Trower.

Membership requirements were either putting together a cutting for performance, writing a debate speech, preparing and memorizing an original speech or putting together a speech in 30 minutes on a given topic. All speeches were then used for meets.

Meets were at Grand Junction, Gunnison, Pueblo Central, La Junta, La Veta, Wasson, Harrison, Canon City and Lakewood.

Participants learned better speaking skills and learned to be more at ease in front of a group of people. "I've always liked to perform in front of a group," Amy Sterk said. "Forensics is performing.

You get critiques that help you improve your performing skills."

Taking first place in the A-AA division at districts, the team tied last year's record for state qualifiers, the most in the school's history. Sara Judson qualified a third consecutive time. Aurora Medina and Yvette Scarlett made state a second time in two years. Rob Moeny, Julia Wynia and Tony Holland, all first-year performers, qualified. Leshe Trower missed a state berth by one speaker point.

"This was a good year for all of us. We are all sad about Mr. Kuhne leaving because his coaching made our team. But we still have each other, and we hope to continue the winning tradition," Aurora Medina said.

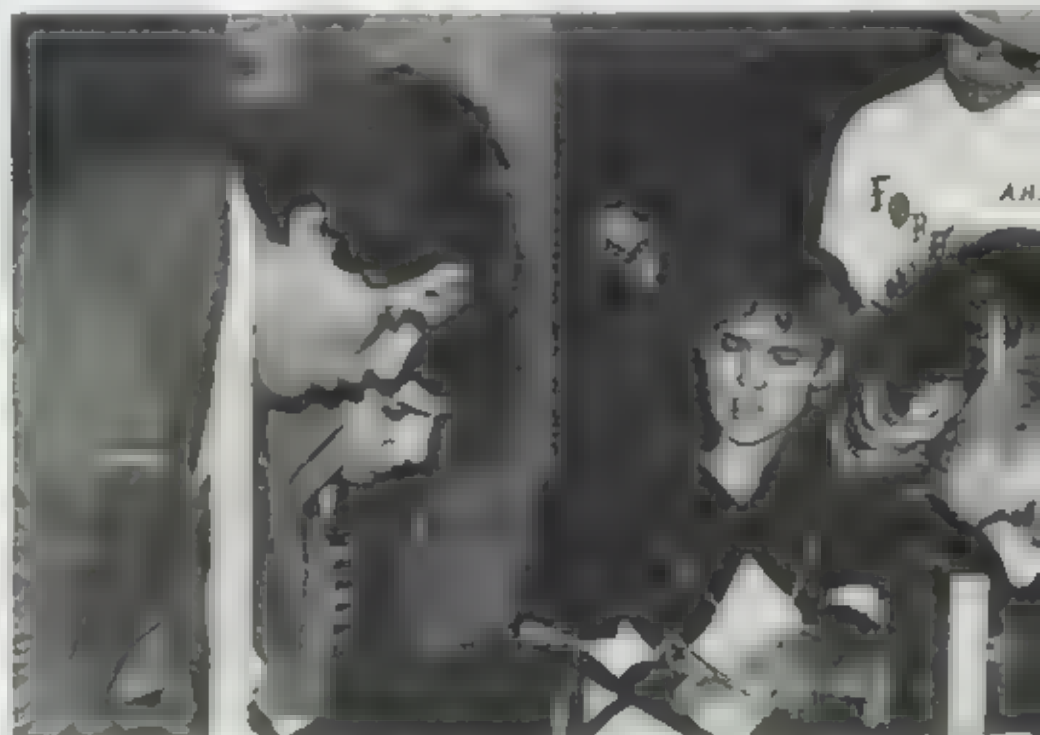
Club officers included president Amy Sterk, a three-year veteran, and vice-president Jennifer James, a novice. Other officers were not selected.



"SCORE!" Enthusiastic forensic members Yvette Scarlett, Julie Wynia, Sara Judson, Brock Filer, Mr. Mike Kuhne and Rob Moeny cheer on a hockey team in the motel on district forensics trip.



FORENSICS TEAM. Front row: Machel Kooiman, Leslie Trower, Sponsor Mr. Mike Kuhne, Vida Senkus. Row two: Rob Moeny, Clay Flynn, Tony Holland, Brock Filer, David Rosenberg. Top row: Mark Velasquez, Amy Sterk, Sara Judson, Alix Thistleton, Darlene Mancuso, Julie Wynia, Jennifer James, Yvette Scarlett, Amy DeNoon.



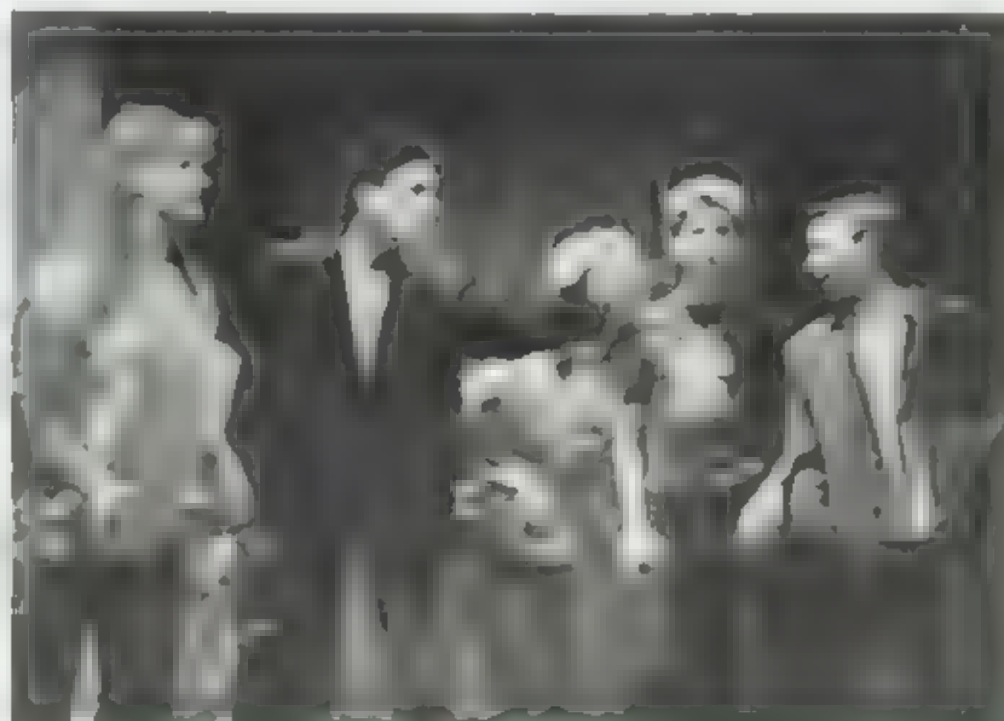
"SAY WHAT?" Machelle Kooiman, center, asks debaters as they check the charts for the next round. David Rosenberg, Rob Moeny, Clay Flynn and Tony Holland check in.



"I WANT TO BE A SEX SYMBOL," announces Amy Sterk. Clay Flynn hardly seems impressed, though Mark Velasquez shows mild interest on the district overnighter.

"TAKE A GIRL LIKE THAT," sings Machel Kooiman while Ferris Malouff strikes a pose and Aurora Medina and Dale Norton fall in love during the fall three-act promotion.

"YOU'RE AN EVIL MAN, Sweeney Todd!" Mike Sanchez points an accusing finger as April Kooiman, Machel Kooiman, Rob Moeny and Jason Rose agree.



Lights! Camera! Action!

Lights! Curtain! Action!

And Drama Club was off to a flying start to one of its best years in recent history

The club's biggest accomplishment was their performance at the Intermountain League (IML) One Act Play Competition, where they swept both best actor and actress awards along with first places in stage movement, characterization and rhythm. A second in emotion was added to the awards earned for "Goodbye to the Clown," directed and produced by Mrs. Marie Szkalak

"Sweeney Todd," the fall production featuring a melodramatic evil villain who murdered victims in a special barber chair, was no ordinary production for the group. Featuring a large cast, the play drew good crowds Nov. 20 and 21

A lip sync contest sponsored by the club in the fall also went over very well. Nine acts entered, and Spencer Perdew's "Danger Zone" took first, while "Team Zerox," with Tony Holland, Amy Sterk and

Ferris Malouff, took second. Approximately \$140 was earned to add to the \$100 box office receipts for "Sweeney Todd."

Sponsor Szkalak was on leave much of spring semester due to her daughter having surgery, but the group conducted a second fund-raiser with her inspiration. A "talentless" show drew a big crowd and found "Wild West," an act including Wes Carter, Shawn Cody, Ernie Wooten and Shawn Medina winning

Brian Hudiburgh, sophomore transfer student, says he became a part of the club because "I love acting, and I love to change my character"

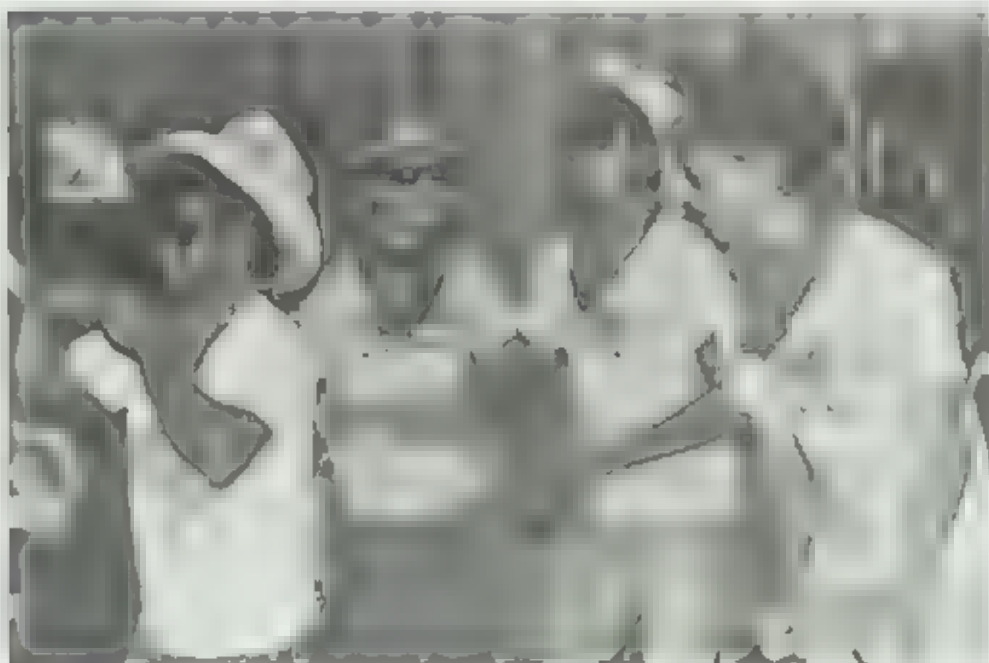
The club promoted self-expression, according to Szkalak. As the curtain fell on a very successful year, the members left having learned participation, self-expression, and acceptance of self and others. All this, sponsor Szkalak says, "makes them better people."



AS ELWOOD AND JAKE, Mr. Benito Martinez and Mr. Arnold Gallegos make the Blues Brothers come alive at the spring show.

WILD, WILD WES CARTER and his dudes Ernie Wooten, Shawn Medina, and Shawn Cody do the cowboy jam at the Talentless Show.

"DIE! DIE!" laughs Tony Holland as Sara Judson struggles for breath. Lance Benson, Connie Garcia, Clay Flynn, Cyndi Melonas, Brian Hudiburg and Amy Sterk watch in shocked amusement during the fall production of "Sweeney Todd."



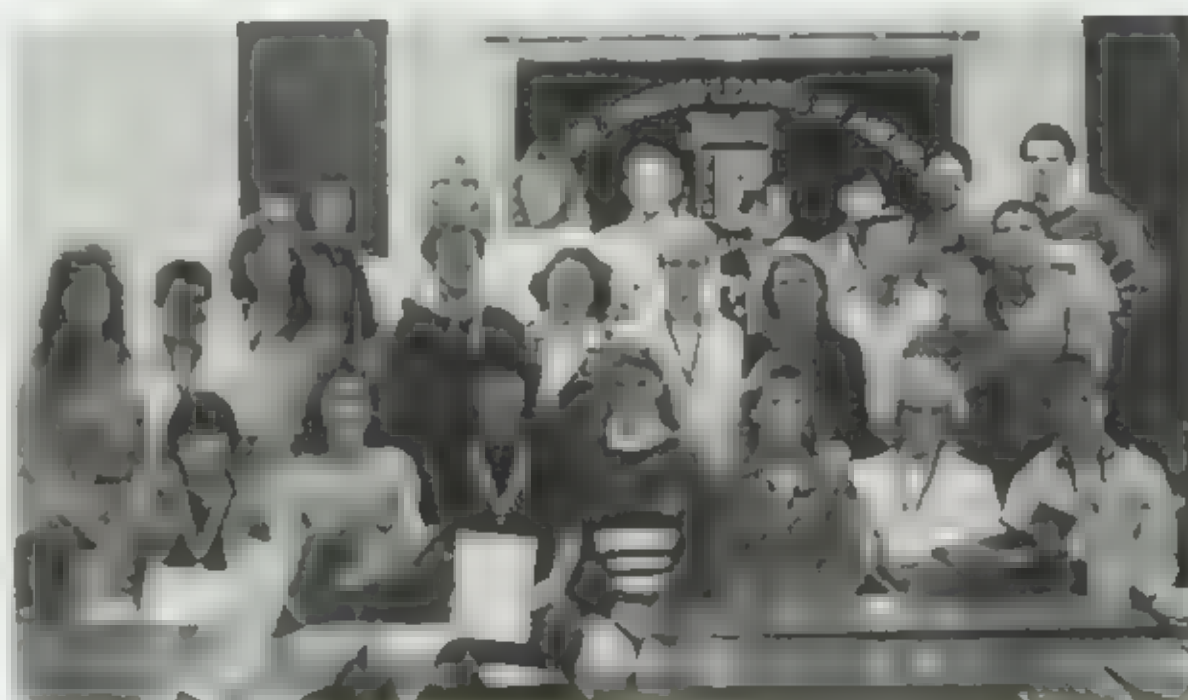


PROUDLY SHOWING HIS MEDAL, Blair Corning congratulates himself for a first place win at Districts while Ray Gardner shows his approval



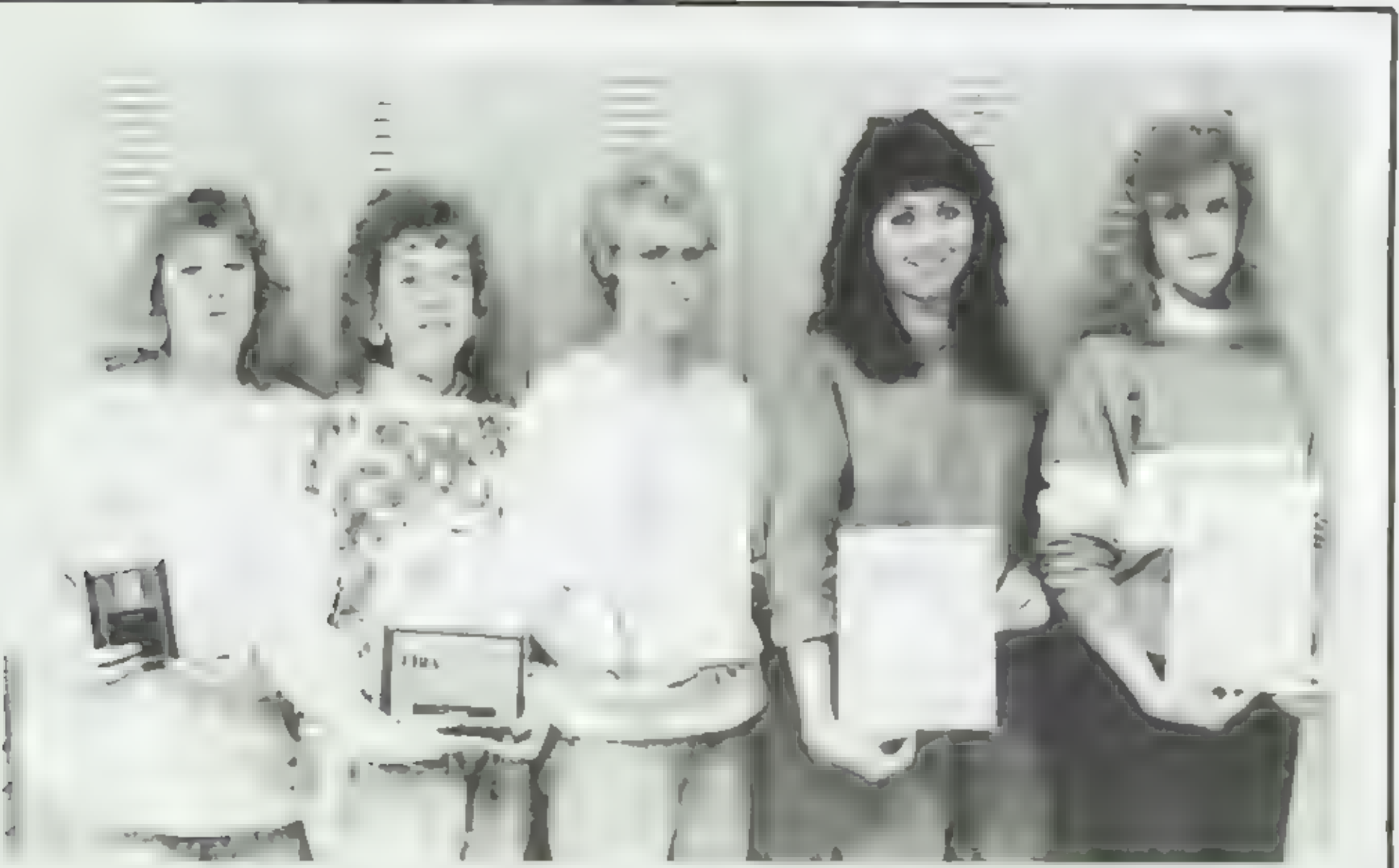
DISTRICT PARTICIPANTS:

First row: Michael Griego, 4th, Intro to Business; Nikki Shaeffer, Participant; Lora Avila, 2nd, Shorthand I; Lori Thomas, 1st, Accounting II; LeeAnn Alsbaugh, Impromptu Speaking; Trinette Smith, 2nd, Machine Transcription; Ray Gardner, 2nd, Parliamentary Procedure. Second row: Tina McDonald, 4th, General Business; Dani Little, 4th, Keyboarding Applications; Synda Sallee, 1st, Accounting I; Michelle Hof, 2nd, Business Law; Yvette Scarlett, 2nd, Parliamentary Procedure; Gina Heersink, 1st, Business English; Danean Mangan, 5th, Job Interview; Janet Sears, 1st, Entrepreneurship. Third row: Tara Schofield, 2nd, Parliamentary Procedure; David Price, 1st, Entrepreneurship; Jason Howe, 2nd, Accounting II. Fourth row: Rhonda Roberts, 3rd, Office Procedures; Christie Carsen, 2nd, Computer Concepts; Michelle Corning, 1st, Entrepreneurship, 1st, Who's Who in FBLA, 1st, Ms. FBLA; Cyndi Melonas, 3rd, Computer Concepts; Lara Suarez, 1st, Poster; Elly Rael, 1st, Poster; Adrian Arnold, 4th, Business Calculations; Blair Corning, 1st, Economics. Not pictured: Cathy Bentley, Participant; Michael Kmetz, Economics; Michael Sanchez, 3rd, Computer Applications for Business.



CAN I THROW A CHRISTMAS PARTY or what?" questions Mrs. Nancy Kitterman. Ms. Phyllis Goettsch, Blair Corning, Rhonda Roberts, and Michelle Corning seem to agree





STATE WINNERS Michelle Corning, 2nd, Entrepreneurship; Janet Sears, 2nd, Entrepreneurship; Gina Heersink, 3rd, Business English; Cathy Bentley, 9th, Chapter Annual Business Report; Lori Thomas, 10th, Accounting II Not pictured: David Price, 2nd, Entrepreneurship.

FBLA accumulates numerous awards, raises over \$1,000 for projects

Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) continued to accumulate group and individual awards, and culminated with placing seven of their 24 qualifiers at state competition.

To earn their way to state, FBLA sold magazine subscriptions, M&Ms and helped with inventory at Maurice's, a local women's clothing store. M&M sales raised \$1,000 in profits, seventy-five percent of which went into the member's ledgers to finance their state trip.

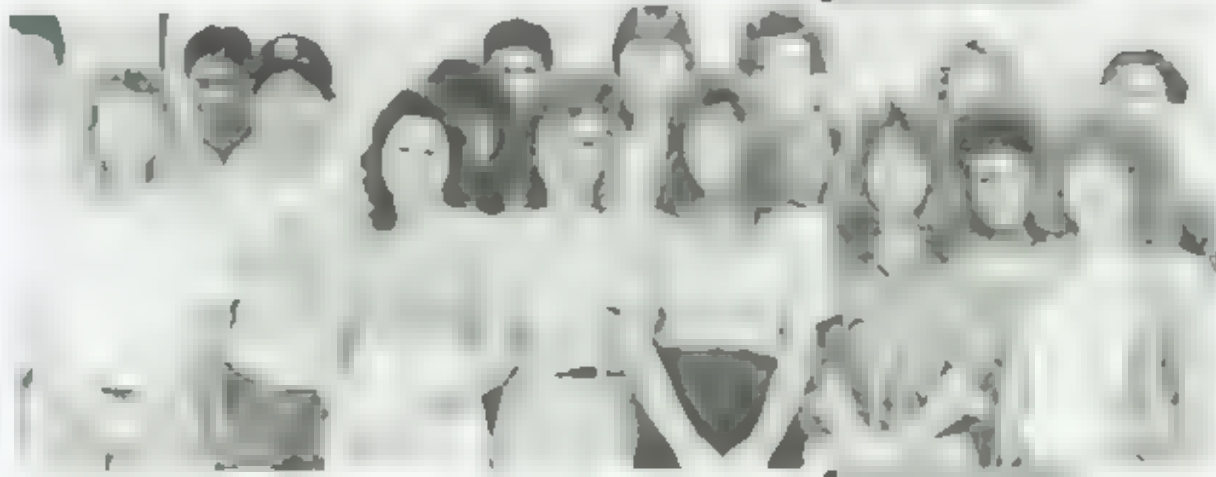
Members competed in the District Leadership Conference held in Sabda to qualify for the state conference held at the Broadmoor in Colorado Springs.

Over \$200 was raised and donated to the American Cancer Society through springtime daffodil sales. Toys were collected at Christmas for Toys-4-Tots. Other activities included secretarial and clerical time donated to members of the community and participation in Colorado Business Week.

Such activities provided members with experience in career development, leadership training, public relations skills, money management and community activities. All this led the group to special state recognition.

Advisers were all business faculty members including Ms. Phyllis Goettsch, Mrs. Nancy Kitterman, Mrs. Donna Ruybal, and Mr. Henry Herrera.

Groups offer



HERO STUDENTS. Robert Espinosa, Leslie Owens, Robert Roman, Scott Garcia, Lisa Romero, Pat Montoya, Keri Showalter, Dustin Wingate, Sharon Garcia, Amy Dix, Kristi Jones, Yvette Godwin, Michelle Hof, Christine Espinoza, Corrina Gallegos, Dale Norton.



EXPO MEMBERS. Front row: Mark Cordova, Renee Cordova, Bobby Garcia, Christina Lucero, Theresa Raell, Donna Martinez. Row two: Nick Chavez, Ezequiel Chavez, Paul Espinoza, Benito Lopez



FHA STUDENTS. Amanda Hostetter, Danette Vance, Yvette Godwin, Marco Ramirez, Sam Molina, Phyllis Roach, Melvin DeHerrera, Casie Lucas, Tracy Holland.



AMY DIX, Queens Court, Ski-Hi Stampede.

SHAWNA SETTLE, Rodeo participant.



variety of activity

Rodeo Club was affiliated with other high school rodeo groups around the Valley. Three students participated in ten rodeos, and funded their activities with a dance. During the summer, various members participated in local rodeos. Verla Rutgers was Ski Hi Stampede Queen, and Amy Dix was an attendant. Lee Ann Alsbaugh was state high school rodeo queen, and Shawna Settle and Kristi Kane were active locally.

Home Economics Related Occupations (HERO), sponsored by Mrs. Kathleen Crowther, provided a work study program for members who preferred on-the-job training to traditional academic classes.

"We stressed leadership skills, communication skills and human relations skills along with overall growth and development," commented Crowther.

Officers for the group included Michelle Hof, president; Shirley Lopez and Sam Molina, vice presidents; Denise Ortiz and Corrina Gallegos, secretaries; and Scott Garcia and Kristi Jones, treasurers. Leslie Owens and Sharon Garcia served as historians and reporters.

The group competed successfully in general job and skilled events at the district conference in January and at the state conference later in March. Michelle Hof earned a gold medal in job application and interview, while Christina Espinosa and Denise Ortiz took a silver medal in mixing and matching fashions for business at district conference.

Four honors were garnered at state. Hof won gold for job application and interview, while Lopez won bronze for dining room attendant. Gallegos won third in the janitorial contest.

The group participated in HENCO candy sales to send members to the state conference and to fund the employer appreciation activities. They also did service projects throughout the year.

EXPO had 26 freshman students, according to sponsor Mrs. Sadie Martinez. Teachers throughout the building worked with students who were recommended by the staff. Usually, students in the program needed someone who cared enough to listen and help a freshman through a difficult time.

Students divided into groups and competed to improve their GPA.

It is possible that EXPO students will move up to the SWAP program next year.

Future Homemakers of America (FHA) is the only club totally within a class. The group meets once a month during their Home Economics class. Considering that it was a class, the club consisted of 53 members.

The officers included: president, Julie Hensley, vice-president, Melvin DeHerrera; and secretary, Denise Ortiz. Mrs. Dianna Kroeker was the club sponsor.

FHA sold balloons-o-grams and cookies as fund raisers and participated in a district conference at Adams State College on January 29, where they received a silver medal.



VERLA RUTGERS, Queen, Ski-Hi Stampede.

QUEEN'S PARADE, Ski-Hi Stampede



—Future Farmers bound to succeed—

Through the good and the bad, Future Farmers of America (FFA) has pulled through together. The low membership of the last few years has been replaced by a boom in membership this year. Only two years ago there were only 11 in the group, now there are 42.

Election mistakes in the past, which caused friction within the group, have been corrected. "These mistakes have made excellent stepping stones for the adviser and students alike," commented instructor Mr. Tom Scarlett. "Young leadership has replaced the old."

Yet, it wasn't all bad times. There was the success of stockshow. Sure, everyone had to sell boxes and boxes of apples, oranges and grapefruits to earn the money to get there, but when they got there it surely was fun, according to the participants.

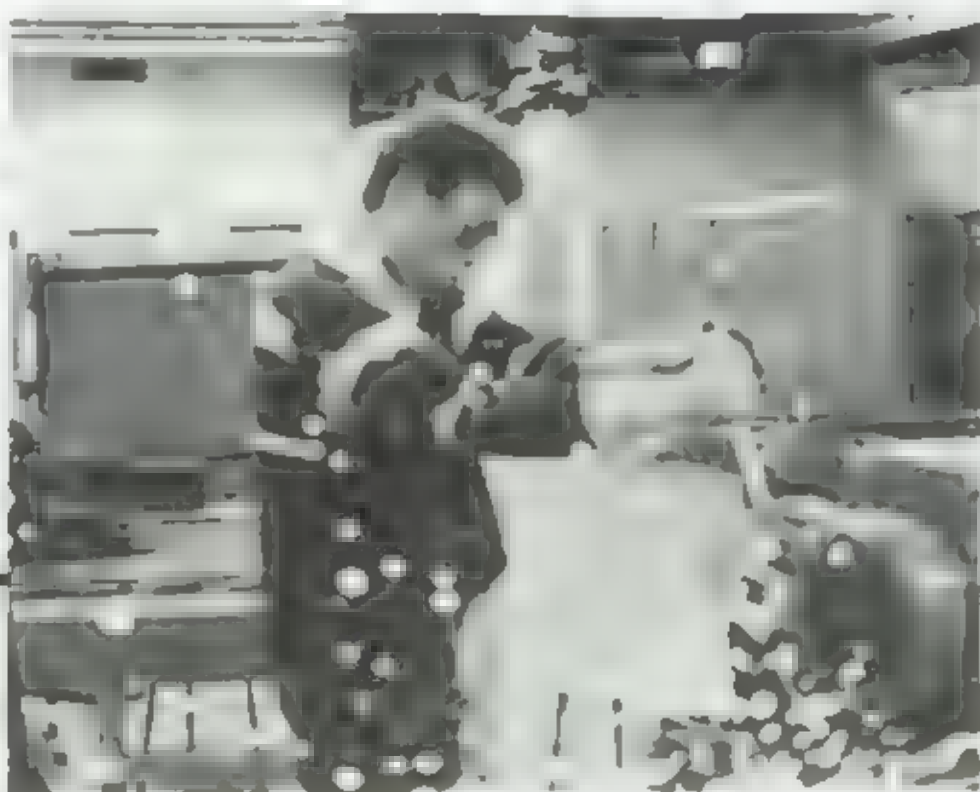
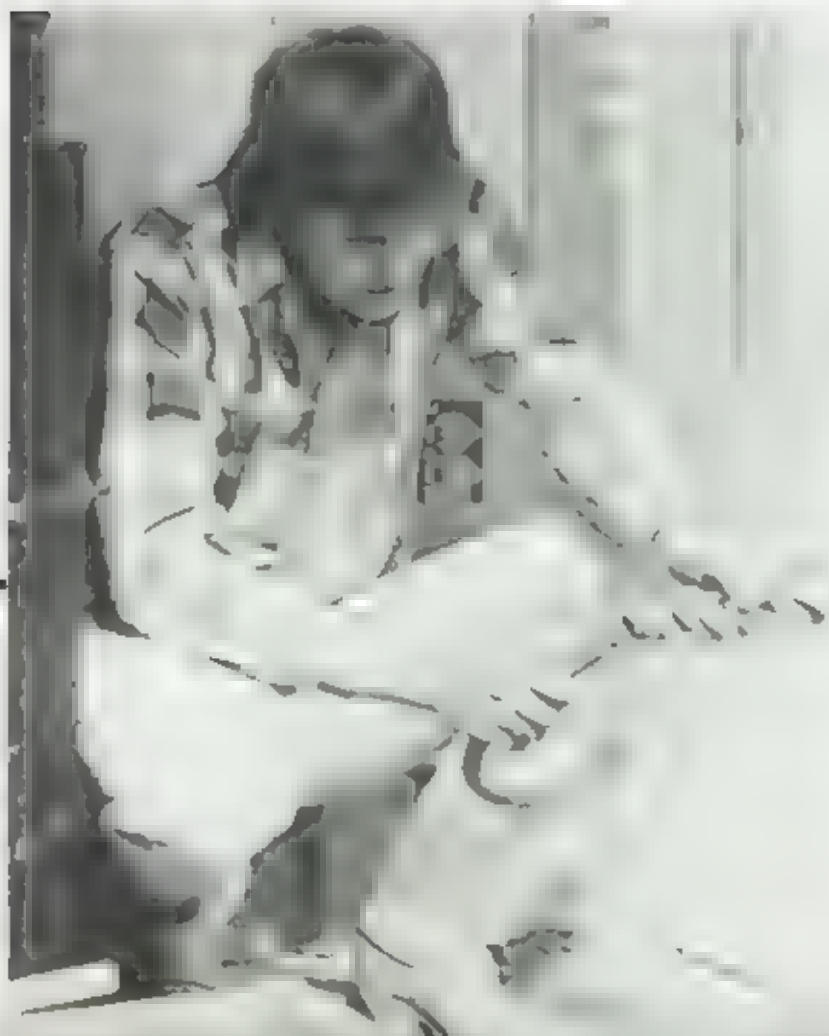
And what about the chapter trip to the Sand Dunes for district range judging? The Alamosa chapter brought home team belt buckles for first place. "The hot dogs weren't too bad, either," commented Verla Rutgers

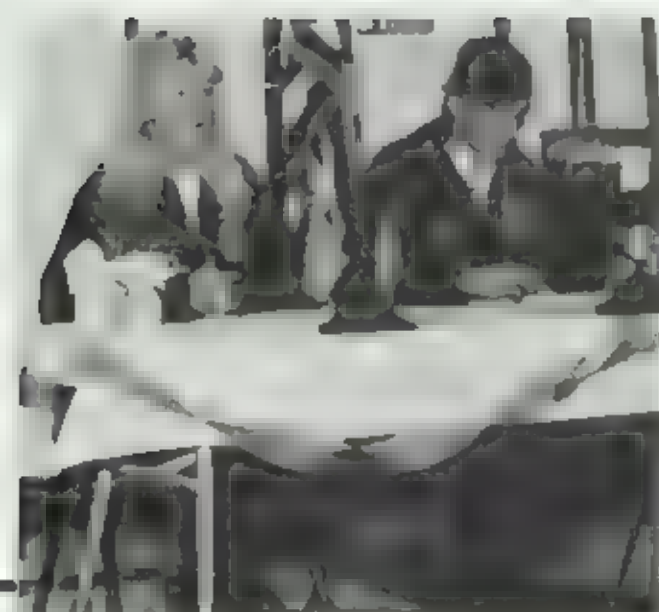
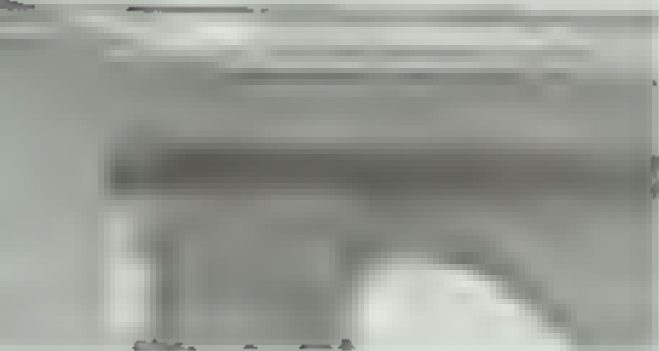
There were still problems to conquer. While slave sale in the spring was fairly successful, adviser Scarlett said that the club could use more buyers next spring. Slaves were auctioned to raise money for the group treasury, with members working at farm-related jobs and the money going to the FFA chapter

DELIGHTED TO FINALLY get to the chocolate cake part of the FFA Banquet, Cheri Simpson, Eva Rutgers and Justin Wilcox enjoy their meal

PRACTICING his metal-cutting skills, Chad Liddell lets the sparks fly during his second hour Voc. Ag. class.

DARREN BOLT puts one of his many shop techniques to use by fixing the greenhouse hose.





REPORTER VERLA RUTGERS and acting treasurer **Rich Morton** await the start of the rest of the evening's ceremonies

FFA OFFICERS

President - **Carl Smith**
 Vice President - **JimBob Kingery**
 Secretary - **Jackie Bini**
 Treasurer - **Marcia Franssen**
 Reporter - **Verla Rutgers**
 Sentinel - **Daren Bolt**
 District Vice-President - **Verla Rutgers**
 District Representative - **Jackie Bini**



ACTIVE FFA MEMBERS. Front row: **Eva Rutgers, Cheri Simpson, Nikki Shaffer, Jennifer Hatch, and Joy Kingery.** Row 2: **Dave Sisneros, Trevor Zimmerman, Kristi Brunelli, Janet Honeycutt, Robin Stagner, Linnea Boice, and LeRoy Lopez.** Row 3: **Adviser Mr. Tom Scarlett, Steve Hendrick, Fil Chavez, Chad Liddell, LeeAnn Alsbaugh, Brent Husung, Jack Geiser, Randy Draves, Derrell Beiriger, Darren Rinesline, Dean Lee, Perry Valentine, and Darren Martinez.**



BEING CONGRATULATED by the officers on their greenhand degrees, **Darren Rinesline, Janet Honeycutt, Eric VanGieson, and Steve Hedrick** continue through the line to receive their bronze pin from **Mr. Tom Scarlett.**

STUDENT BODY OFFICERS. Front: David Price, president. Top: Michelle Davis, vice-president, Janet Sears, secretary, Naya Bloom, treasurer

DEJAYS AT THE HALLOWEEN DANCE, sponsored by SC, Marwin VanRy, Dennis Wheeler and Eddie Tolma entertain the dancers.

THE SNACK MACHINE, new this year, is filled daily by council members. It brings in hundreds of dollars daily.

STUDENT COUNCIL (Bottom). Toby Campbell, Josh Bloom, Kenzo Kawanabe, Steve Clayton, Michelle Davis, David Price, Janet Sears, Stephanie Johnson, Marwin VanRy, Eddie Tolma, Jeff Gilmore, Sloan Henderson, Kris Golsan, Kevin McHugh, Robbie Rael, Monica Griego, Blair Corning, Joe Kelloff, Gretchen Wagner, Synda Sallee.





KEY CLUB. Front row: Monica Griego, Kris Golsan, Synda Sallee, Naya Bloom. Row two: Janet Dodds, Darius Senkus, Norman Breth, Kenzo Kawanabe, Krystal Kilgore, Denise Vigil. Row three: Paul Holland, Richard Yohn, Brandon Flavin, James Hau. Row four: Joe Kelloff, Tom Wyatt, Sloan Henderson, Ryan Jackson.



KEY CLUB. Front row: Blair Corning, Vicki Olson, Joe Kelloff, Deanne Motz, Heather Williams, Tara Schofield, Ken Goodrow. Row two: Sumi Fuji, Jennifer Frink, Katherine Meder, Kristi Cortez, Darleen Mancuso, Dani Little. Row three: Meadow Stagner, Jodi Hanel, Alix Thistleton.

Groups emphasize service projects

STUDENT COUNCIL

Selling Alamosa T-shirts with the school name and emblem imprinted was a successful project of Student Council this year. Another popular and successful money-making project was the addition of a candy machine in the commons area.

"This was the most successful year for participation, especially during Homecoming, of any year during the last four," SC president David Price commented. The bonfire, volleyball games for the guys, games day and finally the dance were as successful as could be expected."

Besides Homecoming, SC sponsored many soc-hops, springtime SC elections and Prom.

The Drive-In Conference, sponsored by AHS at Adams State College, was again successful. One SC member described it, "It was one of the most significant days of my life."

Later in the spring, SC once again held its traditional retreat in a secluded place. Janet Sears' home in Del Norte was the "hideaway" this year, where for one night and the next day SC enjoyed springtime in the SLV.

"I can not say enough good things about this year's members," said Price. "They are the most dedicated

and hardworking student council team I have ever been involved with. SC has the best communication within members. We work well together."

Working well brought about many positive results for the school.

KEY CLUB

Key Club traveled to Denver for its regional convention at the downtown Marriott in April this year, where they attended workshops and competitions. Julie Wynia received second place in oratory, and the basketball team earned first.

Several of the club's members also took a skiing trip to Monarch in late winter. These two trips were paid for by fundraisers like the winter carnival held during a home basketball game. Games, prizes, and food were all offered at the carnival.

The club participated in a canned food drive with Circle K in the fall, and a cancer drive in April that benefitted the American Cancer Society. They also ran a ski exchange with Kristi Mountain Sports.

1987-88 officers were: president - Kenzo Kawanabe; vice-president - Blair Corning; secretary - Sloan Henderson; treasurer - Joe Kelloff; and historian - Deanne Motz.



SURINAM IS BORDERED ON THE SOUTH BY ? Buzz' Lance Benson, Rob Moeny, Brock Filer and Robby Rudder give the nod for Moeny to give the correct answer, "Brazil."

Intellectual activity thrives

KNOWLEDGE BOWL

"Knowledge Bowl has been utterly amusing for the duration of the bygone quadannual span," stated Lance Benson, four-year member of Knowledge Bowl.

Knowledge Bowl did exceptionally well this year. The AHS varsity team received first place in its premier tournament, held on Dec. 8, sponsored by the teacher's fraternity, Phi Delta Kappa.

The junior varsity Knowledge Bowl placed fifth in the Del Norte tournament held on Feb. 25.

The varsity team again took first place on Mar. 4 at the AHS Invitational Tournament. The Junior Varsity and Freshmen teams also participated, with the JV placing third.

The varsity team took second place Mar. 10 at Antonito, but again received first place at the regional tournament in Saguache April 8.

The K-Bowl team also participated in an anti-drug/alcohol tournament sponsored by the Sierra Grande S.A.D.D. AHS tied for second place with Creede.

At the State Tournament held May 3 and 4 at Fort Lewis College, Durango, Alamosa finished 13th overall and 6th in the AA division with a score of 197 points.

Knowledge Bowl sponsor, Mr. Larry Gardner, stated, "Knowledge Bowl has its focus on academic learning and provides deserving students with an opportunity to be recognized for their intellectual pursuits."

SCIENCE CLUB

Different activities from previous years occupied Science Club. A main activity was "The Dating Game," a computer matching of students with similar interests. Robbie Jackson and Jason Howe did the programming. "I thought it was fun and I found out who has things in common with me!" exclaimed Roman Martinez.

Forensics anthropologist Dr. Michael Charney, from Colorado State University, presented a slide show on how he identifies bodies of such people as murder victims and war veterans.

Data books were sold, and the profits from them and from Dr. Charney's presentation funded a trip to the Ramses II exhibit in Denver.

Science Club had approximately 20 members. "The club wanted to do fun and interesting activities. Our dating game was just that and a lot of people got a kick out of it," commented president Michelle Mestas.

Sponsors of the club included Mrs. Barbara Kruse, Mr. Chris Ruybal, Mr. Kerry Adams and Mrs. Anita Arnold.



AT AHS'S HOME TOURNAMENT, junior varsity Knowledge Bowl members wait to buzz in before Antonito and Centauri.



SMIRKING, Jason Howe remembers the deck stacking he programmed into the Science Club's computer dating program.

ALTERNATE MEMBERS Joe Kelloff and Blair Corning discuss the team's answers at the home meet.



SCIENCE CLUB. Seated: Jason Rose, Adrian Arnold, Melissa Anderson, Danielle Mestas, Mr. Kerry Adams. Standing: Robyn Kriewald, Diana Gallegos, Matthew Snyder, Alysia Martinez, Ingrid Hermanson, Michelle Mestas, Jennifer DeWitte, Naya Bloom, Jim Botsford, Ximena Gonzales, Mrs. Barbara Kruse.

MESA MEMBERS Front row: Tanva Deen, Tammy Jo Martinez, Samantha Lee, Pam Aldaz. Row two: Richard Ono, Monica Griego, Kenzo Kawanabe, Lisa Martinez, Elly Jo Rael, Fred Gomez. Row three: Brian Duran, Wally Herrera, Robby Rael, Ximena Gonzales, Jim Botsford.



LOS CARNALES Sandra Gutierrez, Rosa Martinez, Yvette Medina, Corina Ortega, Belen Garcia, Valerie Quintana, Tammy Jo Martinez, Rita Lujan. Not pictured: Beverly Martinez, Lisa Lee, Theresa Rael.



Learning, helping to learn: goals

LOS CARNALES

Los Carnales, sponsored by Mr. Herman Martinez, included 12 members who had an interest in the Chicano culture and background. They learned different ways of serving the community and learning about their Hispanic culture and heritage.

"It gives me a sense of leadership, and I meet interesting people," stated Beverly Martinez, club secretary. Other officers included Yvette Medina, president; Tammy Jo Martinez, vice-president; Rosa Martinez, treasurer; and Lisa Lee, historian.

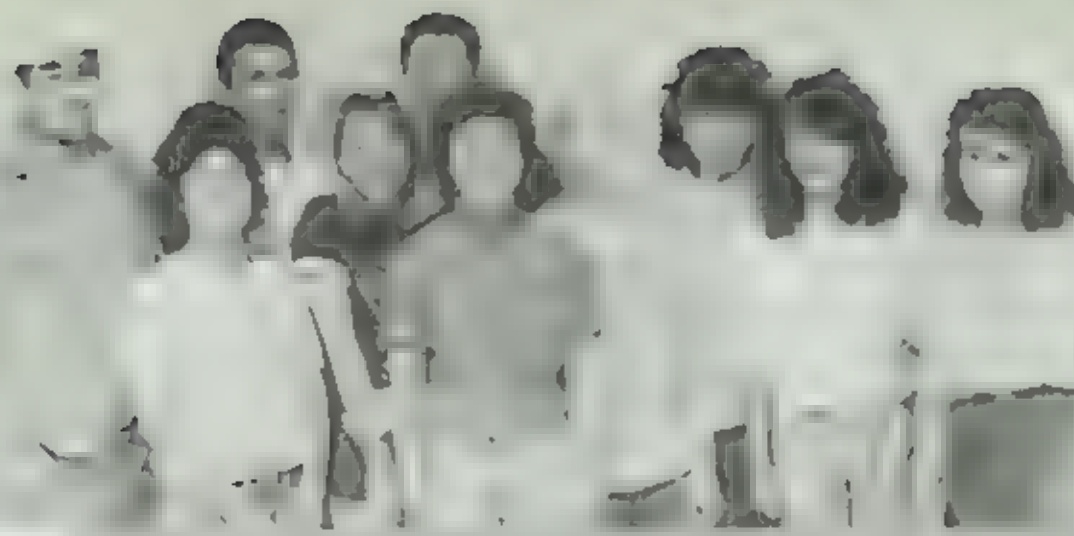
Meetings were held twice monthly, and they participated in bake sales, jewelry sales, poster sales,

and sales of miscellaneous items. The funds used from these sales were for various community service projects.

"I want to find out more about the San Luis Valley and Los Carnales helps me do that," stated Tammy Jo Martinez.

MESA

MESA, Mathematics, Engineering and Science Achievement encourages minority students to achieve in these areas. People selected for the group are minorities with interests in math and science. Kenzo Kawanabe was the outstanding student in the group this year.



DRIVE ALIVE DRIVE SOBER (DADS) TASK FORCE Jack Geiser, Tracy Archuleta, David Garcia, Janet Dodds, Shawn Rubidoux, Alyssa Martinez, Clint Ramstetter, Christine Chacon, Leslie Lopez, Katherine Meyer. Not pictured Beverly Martinez, Michelle Masul.



PEER TUTORS Amy DeNoon, Vida Senkus, Jennifer James, Rob Moeny, Michelle Corning, Christy Kesselring, Tammy Jo Martinez, Michelle Edwards, Amy Thistleton, Jim Botsford.

DADS

Drive Alive, Drive Sober Peer Education Team (DADS-PET) was a new group formed at AHS this year.

DADS-PET is part of the DADS Task Force Action Plan to reduce and prevent driving while impaired with drugs or alcohol in Alamosa County.

Mrs. Sara Espinoza and Mr. Tom Medina sponsor the 12 peer education members. The program aims to influence mainly students in middle and elementary schools by teaching them Refusal Skills, Self-Esteem, and Decision Making to help them "Just Say No" to drugs and alcohol.

"I thought it would be interesting to help other kids learn about self-esteem, decision making and refusal skills in relation to alcohol and other drugs," commented Tracey Archuleta.

Members learned self confidence enabling them to assert themselves in making well-informed decisions about peer pressure, education and careers.

All the members were sophomores or older and gave time to group activities and attended a two-day training session.

DADS-PET members were required to meet a

minimum of five times with four groups of middle school and grade school-age students and teach the above-mentioned skills.

PEER TUTORING

When students had academic problems, they often found it easier to go to other students for help than to go to teachers.

AHS had a special program to help students with their studies: Peer Tutors. "It seems to be working well," said Mrs. Sadie Martinez of the guidance office. Over 15 students served as tutors. Tutors included Naya Bloom, Cathy Bentley, Jim Botsford, Michelle Corning, Amy DeNoon, Michelle Edwards, Jennifer James, Christy Kesselring, Jason Martinez, Rob Moeny, Deanne Motz, Vida Senkus, Meadow Stagner, Alix Thistleton, and Tammy Martinez.

"I'd like to think that I help students. I would say altogether 85% of students seem to improve with our help," commented Botsford.

Not only does the tutor help students with learning; the student tutor learns how to teach, how to have patience and to love their peers. "We all seem to learn from teamwork and helping each other," said Tammy Martinez.

1988 NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INITIATES. Front row: Alix Thistleton, Ximena Gonzales, Tammy Jo Martinez, Amy Sterk, Kenzo Kawanabe, Cheri Simpson, Eva Rutgers, Jennifer Seese, Sloan Henderson, Darren Rahn, Cammie Neumyer, Lisa Thomas. Row two: Meadow Stagner, Synda Sallee, Mary Mercier, Steve Clayton, Ryan Jackson, Ben Caton, Joe Kelloff, Blair Corning, Amy DeNoon, Dennis Wheeler.



NHS TWO AND THREE YEAR MEMBERS. Front row: Naya Bloom, Kris Golsan, Michelle Corning, Christy Carsen, Gina Heersink. Row two: Jennifer James, Vida Senkus, Michelle Mestas, Janet Sears, Robbie Rael, Ingrid Hermanson. Row three: Robbie Jackson, Lori Thomas, Jim Botsford, Cathy Bentley, Tracey Dunn, David Price, Stephanie Johnson. Row four: Marwin VanRy, Kevin McHugh. Not pictured: John Phillips, Eddie Tolma.



FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN STUDENTS. Amy Taylor, Bryce Bervig, Breta Bervig, Jason Rahn, Andrea Rahn, Max Ewing, Moriah Weeks, Mike Heimsoth, Darren Rahn.





"DO I SERIOUSLY have to do this?" Robbie Jackson, NHS President, looks worried about conducting the initiation ceremony but Ingrid Hermanson is pleased to be a part of the activity.

THE FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES raffled this stereo cabinet shown by Jason and Darren Rahn.



Mental, spiritual development gained

NHS

Once one of the largest and most active groups at AHS, National Honor Society (NHS) has curtailed its activities in recent years. While there usually have been two initiations, there was only a spring initiation this year, held on March 1.

After controversy last school year about how students were selected for the club, something new was added to the format for choosing. Every prospective member had to fill out forms listing his/her school and extracurricular activities as well as participation in community groups and church activities.

Along with the initial GPA requirement, this form was evaluated by a teacher committee to determine who was worthy of membership. "It is a much fairer system," commented one inductee who wished to remain anonymous. "Maybe it will seem like an honor to belong to NHS again, and we can't just be blackballed by some teacher who happens to dislike us."

During spring semester, the club honored teachers and students of the month by placing posters in the commons area. There was also some participation in SADD activities.

Spring initiation brought 22 members into the group of 25 existing members for a total of 47.

Sponsors for the group were Mrs. Pat Dunn and new adviser Mrs. Anita Arnold, who replaced Mrs. Barbara Kruse.

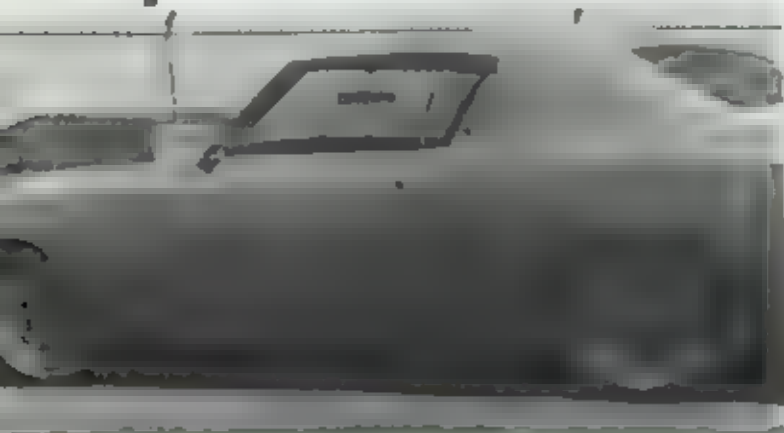
FCS

Fellowship of Christian Students (FCS) did not exist just to study the Bible. Students played games, miniature golf, modified ping pong, and played Bible Trivia, along with having weekly devotionals and other related activities.

To raise funds the members of the club made and raffled a stereo cabinet and built book shelves. The funds were used for a skiing trip, tubing trip, end of the year party, a summer water skiing trip, and donations to Mike Wonser's home for abused children.

FCS was led by Mr. Jones. The president was Darren Rahn, vice-president was Bryce Bervig, secretary was Max Ewing, and treasurer was Jason Rahn.

The membership requirements of the 1987-88 FCS were to be a student of AHS and to join the National Fellowship of Christian Athletes.



THIS LOW RIDER, like many, is an example of an ongoing tradition of going low and slow.

ANDY ZANSKY'S LITTLE TRUCK proves the truck doesn't make the man. So do the trucks of Alex Lopez, Jeff Gilmore, Eddie Tolama and John Phillips

NATE RUYBAL'S HOT 'VETTE puts off more heat than Rhonda Roberts can handle.

CARS CAN BE USED FOR ANYTHING. Wendy Christensen (top) joins Marwin VanRy on his car to obtain a few rays.





"BLACK VELVET" is Darren Mizokami's special truck. The interior matches the exterior and the name.

"A KING" is a hat Mr. Leonard King would like to be when he grows up. He and others enjoy personalized license plates.

COREY DEHERRERA SHOWS OFF his pride and joy (center), his two vehicles and his girlfriend Wendy Christensen.



Pride comes in all forms

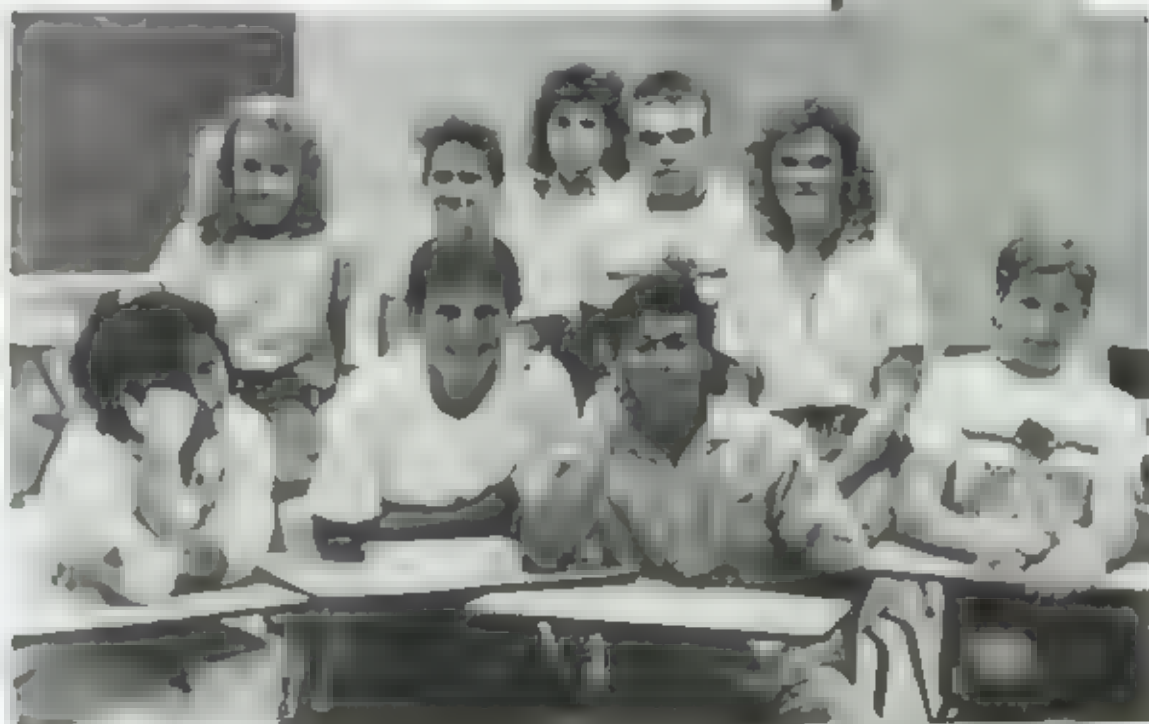
Many AHS students take pride in their cars and trucks. To many, their cars or trucks were first priority. They came in many shapes and sizes, from Marwin VanRy's "Big Bad" brown car to Scottie Garcia's little RX-7. Size didn't always matter though, as some of the smaller cars were the faster. Many were known for their fancy paint jobs such as Darren Mizokami's truck, Casey Gibbs' car and Corey DeHerrera's truck and car.

In trucks, there were two trends: little 4x4s and monster trucks, such as Teddy Archuleta's. Some even had personalized license plates like WOOTEN and 7-WID.

Last, but not least, were the always-trendy low riders such as the one owned by Mike Cordova.

This year the trend continued as cars and trucks came first on most guys' lists.

ALAMOSAN STAFF. Front row: Delhia Anthony, Jeff Gilmore, Alex Lopez, Eddie Tolma. Row two: Brenda Nielsen, Jamie Cole, Rhonda Roberts, Andy Zanski, Wendy Christensen.



EL ALARADO STAFF. Front row: Michelle Mestas, Jeff Gilmore, Dennis Wheeler, Kristy Jones, Alex Lopez, Shawna Walker, Marwin VanRy, Stephanie Johnson. Row two: Tamra Burger, Angela Haddock, Eddie Tolma, Brook Williamson, Verla Rutgers.



GETTING READY TO SELL ADS. Kristi Jo and Michelle Davis check into yearbook el before going downtown



—Journalists—



SPORTS EDITOR Andy Zanski checks some stories in other school newspapers.

YEARBOOK EDITOR Verla Rutgers confers with Angela Haddock about oversized layouts in the mug shot section of El Alarado.



—make sure memories stay intact—

Throughout the year, the *Alamosan* and *El Alarado* staffs worked diligently to record and compile memories that they hope will live forever.

Eight newspapers were completed with articles ranging from "Skin Care" to "Dear Alex and Jeff" to drug-sniffing dogs. "I learned more about writing than I could have ever hoped for," said Clint Ramstetter, columnist of the "Unused Ticket."

Staffers Eddie Tolsma, Marwin VanRy and Amy Sterk participated in the High School Journalism Day sponsored by the Denver Broncos Youth Foundation, and writers VanRy and Ramstetter attended Governor Roy Romer's Press Conference for High School Journalists sponsored by the Colorado High School Press Association (CHSPA).

Several awards were earned in CHSPA competition, with VanRy the winner of three, including a gold, a silver and a bronze. Ad designer for last year, Michelle Davis, won a bronze for ads, while Dennis Wheeler won a gold for editorial. Eddie

Tolsma won a silver medal. Other winners were not staffers this year.

El Alarado also won several awards in statewide CHSPA competition for sports layouts, theme copy, theme development and cover design. All winners were 1987 graduates.

While Mrs. Janice Watkins, regular adviser, was on leave of absence in Hawaii first semester, Mrs. Barbara Kolupke served as adviser. Newspapers were put out on time, but the yearbook was behind schedule when Watkins returned in January. "I think that even though we were so far behind, we really worked hard and everything turned out fine," said Jeff Gilmore, co-editor of *The Alamosan* and classes editor for *El Alarado*.

"No one could have worked harder than yearbook editors Verla Rutgers and Brook Williamson in getting this book back on the right track," said Watkins. "I just remember my days on the beach when we are working late afternoons and nights."



AT THE DENVER BRONCOS' YOUTH FOUNDATION Journalism Day in March, writers Eddie Tolsma and Marwin VanRy wait for the banquet and keynote speaker Madeline McFadden of KCNC Denver.

TRYING TO CHEER UP a "droopy" class, Mrs. Janice Watkins becomes a dreadful monster, and someone catches her.



WEARING THE EVER-POPULAR hoop skirt, Kristy Cortez is really into the groove of dancing. Alysia Martinez dances in the distance.

ROCKIN' TO THE BEAT of JoJo Pineau, Thomas Miera and Tonya Trujillo really get into the evening's dancing. Miera unbuttons his shirt to cool off.



A CROWD, always on the dance floor, and dresses and luxes that are more beautiful than ever, according to observers, create a spectacular evening for Prom '88

CLINT RAMSTETTER'S blue-tinted hair attracts as much attention as his date's beautiful dress. Katherine Meder did match.



Williamson, Botsford reign over festivities

"Ne Dites Jamais Au Revoir," or in English, "Never Say Goodbye," was the theme of Prom 1988 held at the Holiday Inn April 30 from 8 p.m. until midnight. "It was beautiful," commented Prom Queen Brook Williamson.

Dark blue and silver were the colors used in decoration, with murals of city buildings on all four walls and balloon arches used around the dance floor. A copy of the Eiffel Tower, adorned in white

lights, provided the focal point of the decorations

Jo-Jo Pineau from Albuquerque was the DJ, providing popular numbers along with old favorites.

Royalty for the dance, announced during the middle of the evening, were Brook Williamson and Jimmy Botsford. Girl attendants included Tamra Burger, Janet Sears, Robin Johnson, and Lorinda Medina. Guys were Travis Heersink, Andy Zanski, Alex Lopez and Paul Duarte



PROM ROYALTY Brook Williamson and Jim Botsford are honored by their classmates as the year's last royalty.



CANDIDATES FOR ROYALTY, enjoying the evening to "Never Say Goodbye," are Janet Sears, Brook Williamson, Travis Heersink, Alex Lopez, Paul Duarte, Andy Zanski, Jim Botsford, Tamra Burger and Lorinda Medina.

J.T. TRUJILLO AND TRACY ARCHULETA kick back and relax in their prom latture between numbers.

HOLDING ON TIGHT, Lynda Caldwell and Dave Marquez dance to a slow song.



ENCIRCLED BY TINY BUBBLES from the DJ's bubble machine are Wendy Christensen, Corey DeHerrera, Lisa Thomas and Darren Mizokami.

UNDER THE EIFFEL TOWER, Joe Kelloff and Shauna Walker dream of dinner in Paris.



All-night fun featured for Prom '88

Perhaps the most unique feature of this year's Prom included the all night activities, organized by mothers of juniors and held at the Adams State College Center. Included in the activities were the movie "Adventures in Babysitting," which began at 1 a.m.

After the movie activities such as dancing, pool playing, watching MTV and watching videos on a big-screen TV kept party-goers entertained.

Breakfast was served from 4:30 to 6:00 a.m.

Local stores donated prizes which were given away every half hour, with the grand prize of \$200 going to Alex Lopez.

Black and white were by far the most popular colors for girls' prom dresses, with black and white tuxedos also the most popular. "The dresses were more beautiful than ever," commented junior sponsor Mrs. Barbara Kruse.



IT SEEMS TO BE PAST Amy Sterk's bedtime. Mark Velasquez, Alix Thistleton and Pete Bulcomb strive to make it through the night at the first all-night planned activity session.

"THIS DOESN'T LOOK LIKE THE SAND DUNES," say after-prom partiers. Included in the group are Chris Golsan, Travis Heersink, Alex Lopez, Kevin McHugh, Tracey Dunn, Lisa Herrera, Sloan Henderson and Jennifer DeWitte.

RAY SHOLEY AND TAMRA BURGER take a break from some heavy dancing at Prom.



KIM PORTER AND HER GUEST, Henry Romero, cut loose to the tunes of JoJo Pineau

TRYING TO HIDE it from Jim Botsford, April Yohn puts the moves on Wes Carter.



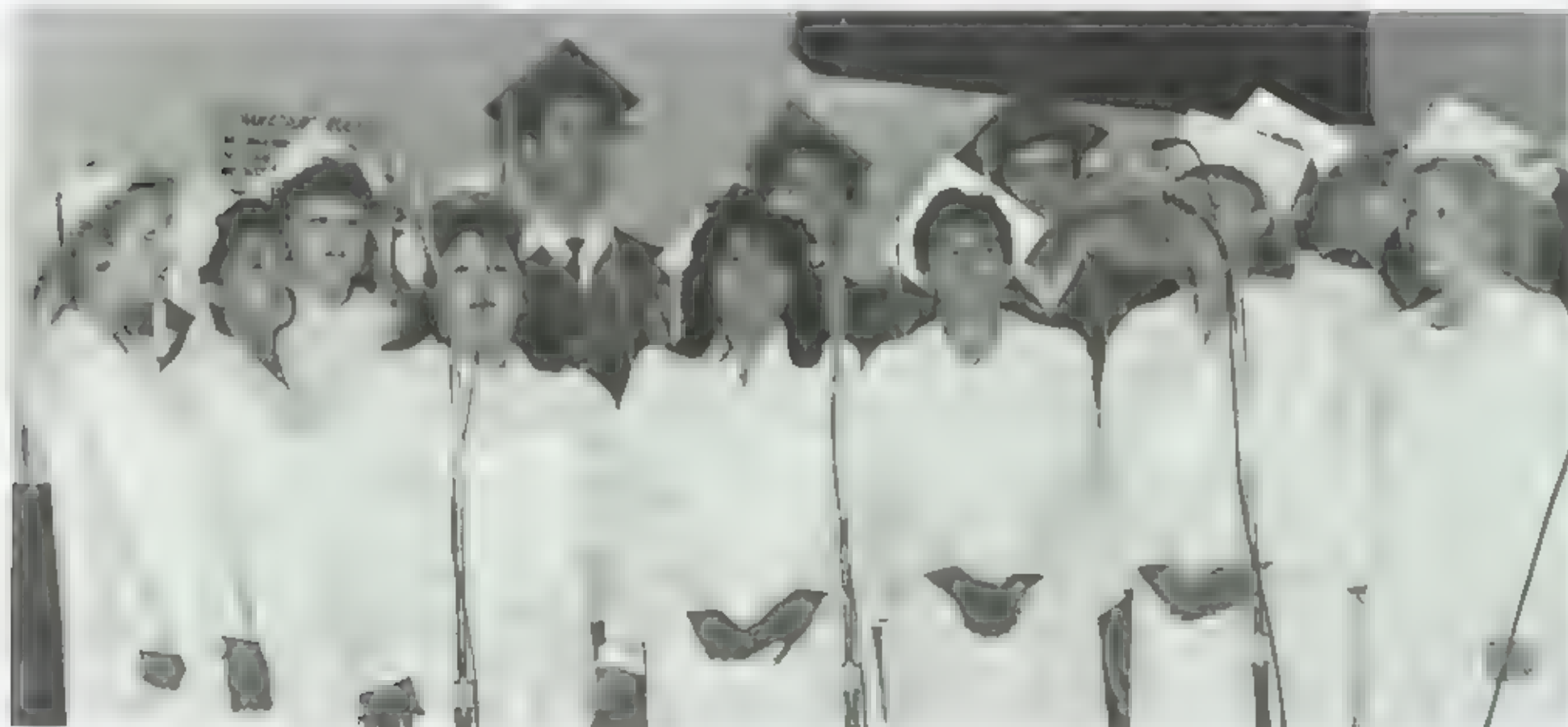
'I've Had the Time of My Life' chosen class motto

Acting superintendent John Canty presented the honor awards and scholarships to many graduates.

Class colors were maroon and silver with the white rose as its flower. "I've Had the Time of My Life" was the class song, and the motto was "When you can look back on your past without regret and look forward to the future without fear, then you are a success."

Color bearers were juniors Naya Bloom and Lisa Thomas, with diploma bearers Todd Davis and Brad Widhalm. Usherettes were Brenda Nielsen and Amanda Hostetter.

Invocation and benediction were by the Reverend Royce Jennings of College Heights Baptist Church, and Bishop Dennis Krout of the LDS Church.



SENIOR ENSEMBLE sings "Honestly" and "Friends." Participating are Lynda Caldwell, Rene Archuleta, Angela Haddock, Norma Flores, Robbie Jackson, Anna Aldaz, Robert Espinoza, Lora Ayala, Jim Botsford, Cyndi Melonas and Trinette Smith.

DANEAN MANGAN thinks of her future as she waits to cross the stage.

TWO SCHOLARSHIPS were the order of the day for Cathy Bentley.





SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS Vincent Lopez and Lonna Bloom present Eddie Rodriguez his diploma.



JEREMY GIBSON looks sad to leave AHS as he receives his diploma from School Board member Joan Wade.

"THERE WAS NOTHING TO IT," thinks Isaac Chavez about reaching graduation.

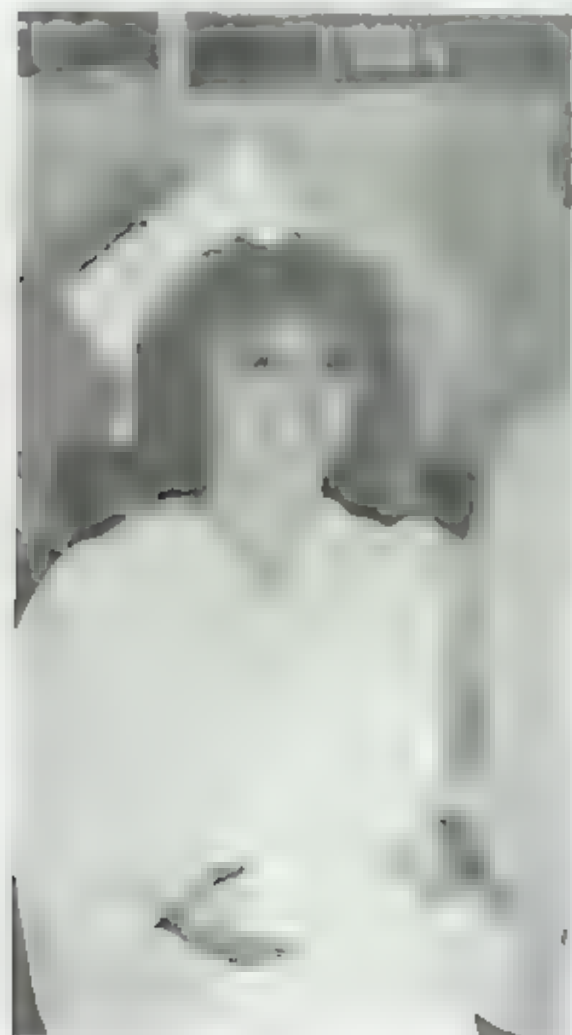
COLOR BEARER Lisa Thomas waits for Machelie Kootman to receive her diploma.

MARK WAKEFIELD solemnly makes the walk toward the stage for his diploma.



SENIORS MARCH IN to "Pomp and Circumstance." Leading the way is Tim Lawrence, followed by Lisa Lingaas. In back is Shirley Lopez.

REFLECTING THE HAPPINESS of most seniors on May 24, Corinna Gallegos accepts her diploma.



Class leaves unspent funds to American Cancer Society

The Class of 1988 graduated 130 students, 13 of whom were Second Chance students who had taken their graduation requirements at the San Luis Valley Area Vocational School. This was the first class to include these Second Chance graduates.

Greeting the class was salutatorian Robbie Jackson, who urged the class to do its best, reminding them that not only those at the top of the class were achievers, but that all were. Giving the farewell address was valedictorian Tracey Dunn who spoke on "The Future is Now."

A slide show including most of the members of the

class was organized and presented by senior president Marwin VanRy.

The class song was presented by a senior ensemble accompanied by Cammie Newmyer, pianist.

A special presentation was made to the class to Mr. Michael Kuhne, who completed his last year of teaching at AHS. The class left all its unspent funds to the American Cancer Society, for whom Kuhne has organized the Sunburn Classic Volleyball Tournament the past three years. Kuhne also gave the class an inspirational speech.



CLASS PRESIDENT Marwin VanRy leaves the remaining senior funds to Mr. Kuhne for the American Cancer Society. Kuhne has sponsored the Sunburn Classic Volleyball Tournament for three years for the ACS.



TOP SCHOLAR Tracey Dunn gives her goodbye speech — the valedictory — emphasizing that no one she spoke with could remember anything that was said in a graduation speech. Dunn's topic was "The Future is Now."



SALUTATORIAN Robbie Jackson reminisces with his classmates and the audience in a speech entitled "Remember When." Robbie recalled pranks he and his classmates had played during their school years.

WAITING AT THE BACK OF THE GYM, Lora Atila and John Atkinson wait for the formal procession by the band to begin their march into the graduation exercises.



Please
Don't Erase...

"CHEMISTRY IS SO EXCITING!" exclaims Lea Rutgers to a startled Debbie Moxe. Tami Krout and Robyn Krout and ponder curious problems.





"WE'VE BEEN CAUGHT" cringes Mike Lopez to a nervous Brad Widhalm. Meanwhile Candace Helm, Alyssa Martinez, and Kris Golson giggle innocently.

READ, READ, READ. Amanda Hostetter studies quietly while Brandon Atencio tries out his new spectra-English glasses. Also interested in his English is Todd Burkham.

'Knowledge is a verb, it's not a noun, it's seasoned' - Lorraine Hansberry

Students and teachers alike were in agreement in their own way. Some agreed some disagreed and some just didn't care. If we never had the opportunity to think about things enough to become well seasoned.

Our Knowledge

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ecognition granted for academic standouts

ACADEMIC LETTERS/PRINCIPAL AWARDS: Melissa Anderson, Josh Bloom, Sara Dunn, Paul Holland, Diana Hunter, Andrea Rahn, Robin Stagner, Sloan Henderson, Kenzo Kawanabe, Joe Kelloff, Eva Rutgers, Meadow Stagner, Naya Bloom, Kris Golsan, Ingrid Hermanson, Tammy Jo Martinez, Darren Rahn, Synda Salles, Amy Sterk, Alix Thistleton, Lisa Thomas, Tracey Dunn, Robbie Jackson, Yvette Scarlett, Eddie Tolma.

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LIBRARY SCIENCE: Phyllis Goettach, Dolores Roach, Peggy Smith, Aurora Medina, Lori Thomas, Janine Irvine, Jeff Johnson, Robyn Kriewald, Lisa Herrera.

SPECIAL EDUCATION: Phyllis Roach.

ENGLISH: Tracey Dunn, Robbie Jackson, Kathy Seese, Cammie Newmyer, Alix Thistleton, Ingrid Hermanson, Meadow Stagner, Blair Corning, Paul Holland, Josh Bloom, Breta Bervig, Jennifer DeWitte, Ximena Gonzales, Jim Botsford, Eddie Tolma, Yvette Scarlett, Lori Thomas, Wes Carter, Sandra Gutierrez, Toby Campbell, Brad Lawrence, Danielle Little, Maureen McHugh, Laurie Meyer, Rita Archuleta, Melissa Anderson, Mike Maestas, Christy Hendricks, Randy Jackson, Janay Skinner, Raquel Lopez, Tina McDonald, Monica Griego, Sara Judson, Amy DeNoon, Jamie Cole, Marcie Martinez, Tammy Jo Martinez, Aurora Medina, Ingrid Hermanson, Darren Rahn, Jason Rahn, Lucas Sauer, Lisa Thomas, Chris Bloedel, Jennifer James, Christy Kesselring, Rob Moeny, Lissa Rosenberg, Synda Salles, Vida Senkus, Amy

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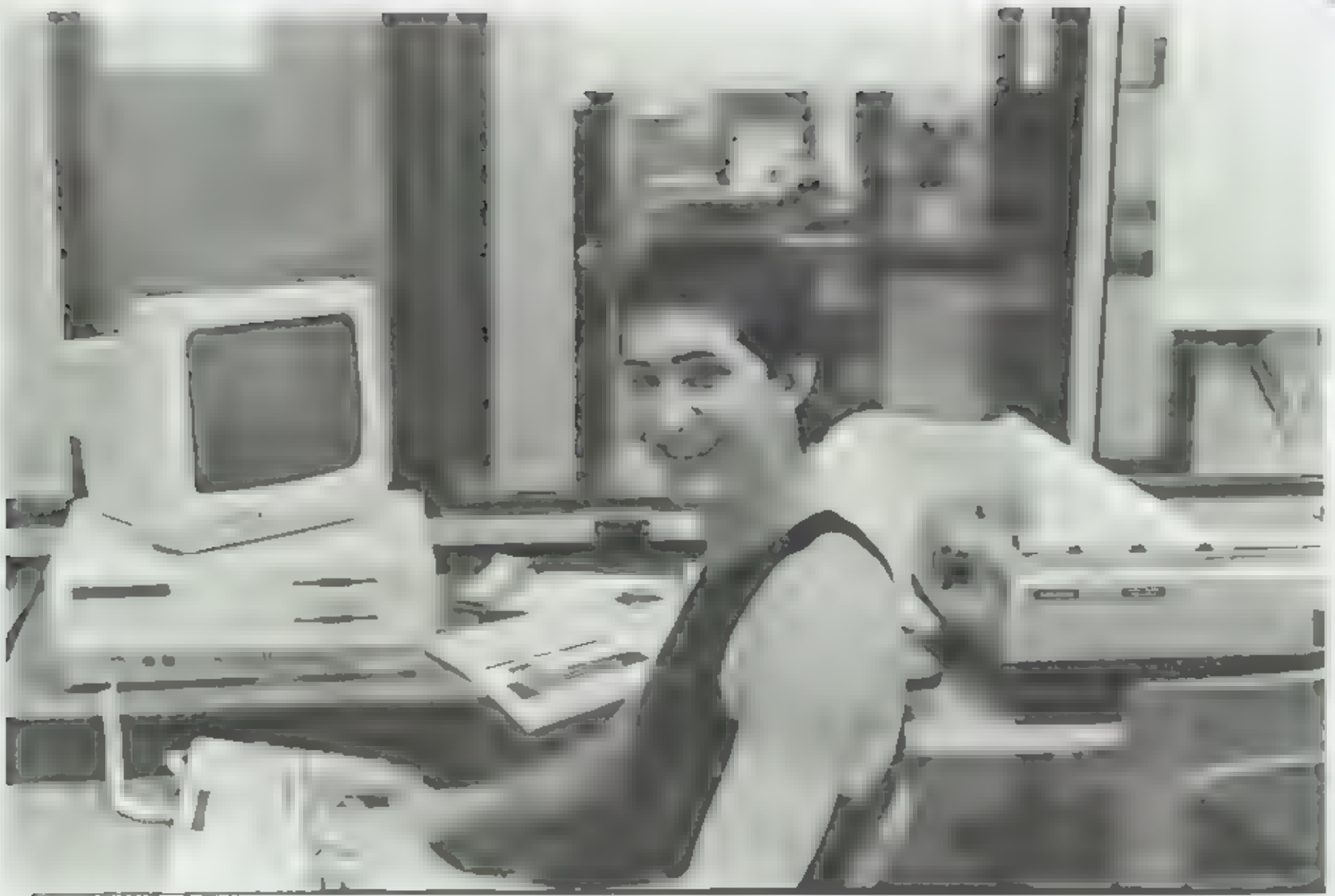
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PEER TUTORING: Tammy Jo Martinez, Michelle Edwards, Jim Botsford, Cathy Bentley, Melissa Wooten, **ADULT TUTOR:** Mike Bloom.

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ART: Lara Suarez, Kristi Taylor, Robin Johnson, Michelle Donovan, Tanya Deen, Isaac Chavez, Branden Bowen, Jac Williamson, Kevin McHugh, John Dodds, Jennifer James, John Phillips, Mike Sanchez, Greg Ward, Spencer Perdew, Angela Ward.

MESA: Lisa Martinez, Kenzo Kawanabe.



PLUGGING AWAY AT THE KEYS of his computer terminal in Mr. Henry Herrera's Intro. to Computers class, Ernie Wooten finds his progress pleasing.

WHILE MRS. DONNA RUYBAL'S BACK is turned, Mitch Wagner casts a puzzled look about Computer Applications class.



Elective courses attract 300 students

Approximately 300 students enrolled in elective business classes this year," said business teacher Mr. Henry Herrera.

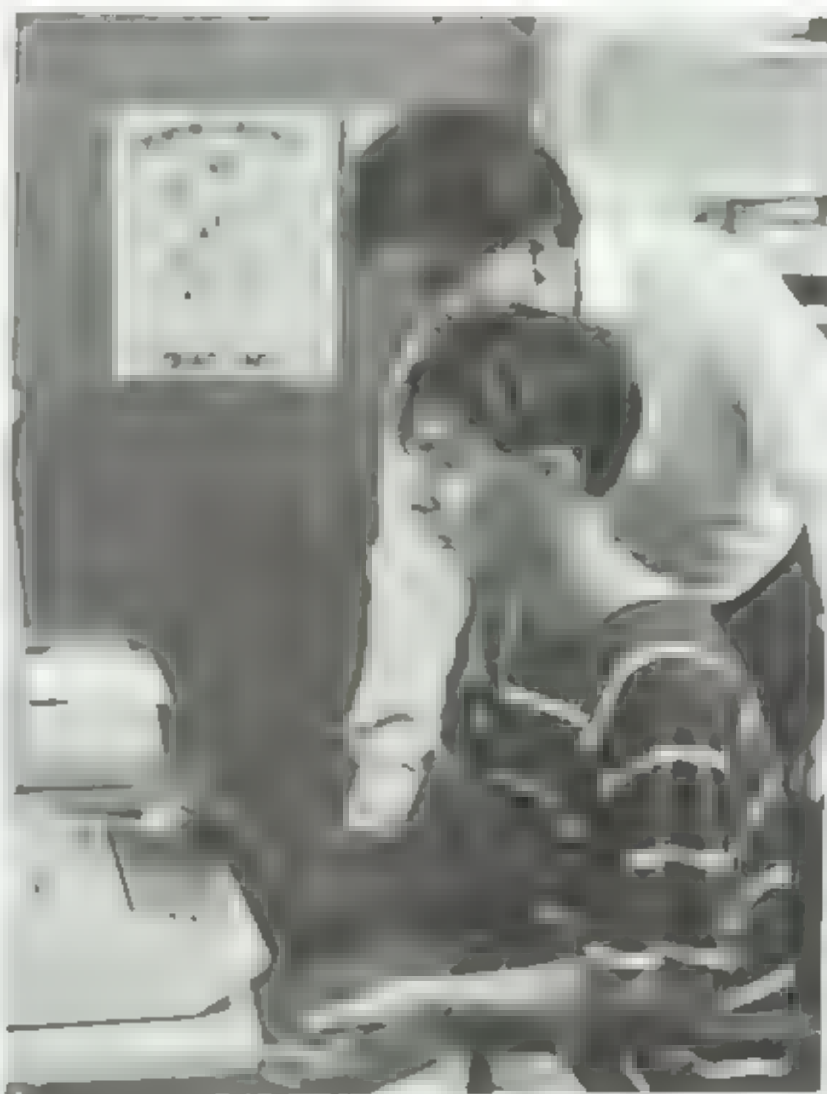
The department purchased eight new Tandy 1000 TX computers for use in their word processing classes. They taught Microsoft Word, which is one of the most advanced word processing packages on the market today, according to business teachers in the department.

"We are looking forward to the new seven period day because it should enable more students to be able to take electives such as business management and accounting I and II," Henry said.

Teachers included Ms. Phyllis Goettsch, Mrs. Donna Ruybal, Mr. Henry Herrera and Mrs. Nancy Kitterman. Mr. Kurt Barker was a student teacher for Mrs. Kitterman.

MAKING COOKIES is one of the favorite activities in Mr. Benito Martinez's class. Billy McLemore and Kenny Duran assist in the progress.

THE FIRST SWAP FASHION SHOW was a real learning experience for participants, who wore the latest prom wear. Front row: Kristi Cortez, Melvin Dellerrera, Rosalie Maestas, Jessica Gallegos, Karen Rubidoux, Leslie Owens and an unidentified participant from Junior High. Row two: Frances Cale, Gwynne Wright, Shari Romero, Tisha Lujan, Dawn Stephens, Marc Bernal, Amos Atencio, Mike ?????? Row three: Deann DePriest, Shileen High, Dan Markus, Sean Studer, and Bryan Sanchez. Child models are unidentified.



TAKING A BREAK IN CO-OP G, Sherri Romero, Karen Lujan and Annie Lopez play cards.



WORKING WITH COMPUTERS, Dale Norton gets some advice from Mr. Tom Medina in alternative class.

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pecial needs served by many programs

CO-OP G

CO-OP G was a work study program for students who were behind in credits. This year there were 15 students in the class out of a possible 24. The class was not for required credits, but for elective credits. The students left at noon and worked for local businesses. It was taught by Mrs. Loreen Simpson. They got two credits a year for CO-OP G work, and one credit a year for the CO-OP G class.

O.D.

Occupational Development helped about 40 students who took regular classes but who had processing problems that made learning harder for them. In the program they worked on math, English, history and science while exploring vocational possibilities. Some students went to O.D. just to take tests, while others went to get other special help. Teachers for the program were Ms. Terry Gantvoort and Ms. Sara Espinoza.

ALTERNATIVE

"I've had a girl call me at 2 a.m. and ask if I could pick her up because her family had kicked her out of her house and she had no one else to turn to," stated Mr. Tomas Medina, alternative teacher. "Students are not just lazy, as many think," Medina continued. "They are troubled and have serious problems they have trouble coping with."

Alternative students did the same level of work done in regular classes, they just did it at their own pace, according to their other teacher, Mr. Dale Otto. "We turn out at least three or more seniors who go on to college each year. These students wouldn't have even made it through high school if it wasn't for this program."

There was no competition for grades, rather, students gained credits by accumulating points. They did not receive letter grades. Alternative takes a maximum of 45 students who had to commit themselves to regular attendance and participation.

SWAP

School to Work Action Program (SWAP) was introduced to AHS this year. It began last year with the EXPO program for freshmen, and was expanded to include sophomores. Designed and encouraged by the Colorado Alliance for Business, SWAP prepared students for work in the business world and for post-secondary training.

Businesses played the role of providing work opportunities and supported field trips and businesses. The program's aim is to get students back on track by giving extra help. Students were paid for grade improvement just as workers might be paid for increased job productivity.

Teachers for the class were Mrs. Kathy Newmyer in English, Mr. Chris Roybal in

science, and Mr. Ron Loven, coordinator.

"Since I've been in SWAP, my average has gone up one letter grade, and I'm learning much more. I'm glad I'm in it," commented one student.

SPECIAL ED.

Special children learn reading, writing, arithmetic and social and work skills in Mr. Benito Martinez's Special Education class. Students learned at their own pace and everyone participated in group projects. The goal was to prepare the group for living on their own after graduation.

"Most of the students treat this class like they treat their fellow students," commented Martinez, "but some use these special children for a few laughs." In this case, he says, the children are hurt. "It is too bad anyone has to pay for another person's stupidity."

Activities including baking cookies, cleaning houses, or learning valuable life skills are all incorporated into this class.

TEEN MOMS

Teen Moms was a support group for single or married pregnant teens or young mothers. Its role, according to Mrs. Vickie Mestas, sponsor, was to encourage young mothers to finish their high school education in order to provide a better life for themselves and their babies.

A record number of girls were in the program this year.

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nthusiasm increases for formulas, dissections

Beakers, bunsen burners and protective goggles were all part of Mrs. Anita Arnold's chemistry class. "I think a lot of kids are interested in science this year," commented Arnold. "Last year we only had two small classes of chemistry, and this year we've had three very large classes. They're so enthusiastic about chemistry; I really enjoy the students." She also taught physics.

During the year, chemistry students learned how to use many formulas, and the all-important: which chemicals will explode during experiments.

Biology students learned about things ranging from the reproductive system of the amoeba to human beings — the later being the most interesting, according to

students. They also performed delicate "operations" — dissections — on unsuspecting worms and fetal pigs. Experienced teachers Mrs. Barbara Kruse and Mr. Chris Ruybal taught biological science.

Alysia Martinez, biology student, commented on her classes. "I've had Mr. Ruybal for two years now and he really knows what's going on. I like science classes because I think they are interesting and I learn a lot." Since Martinez wants a career in medicine, she thinks science will really help her out.

A new face appeared in the science department who replaced long-time teaching veteran Mr. Richard Johnson: Mr. Kerry Adams, who taught general and physical science.



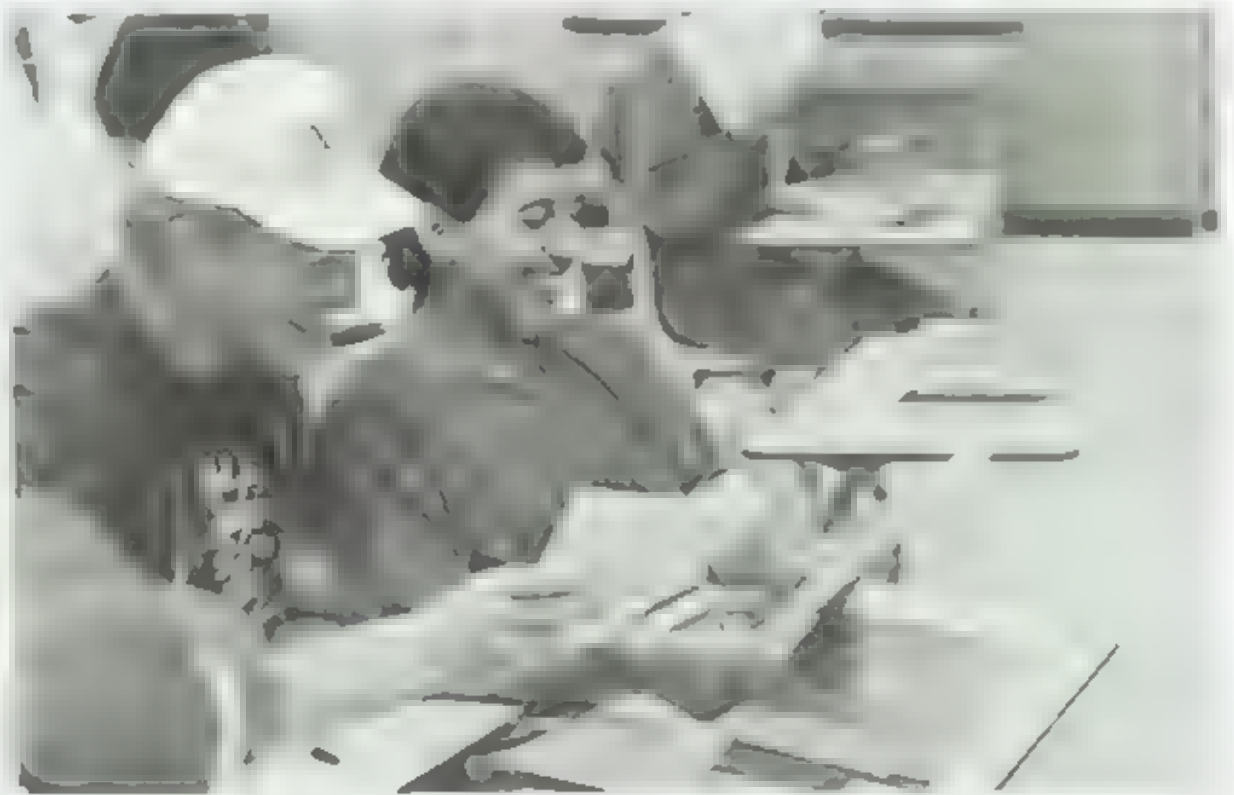
AS A BALLOON HARDENS in liquid nitrogen, Brad Widalm jokingly offers to lick the frozen concoction in Mrs. Anita Arnold's chemistry class. Candi Helm and Daniel Sandoval stare in disbelief during the cryogenics experiments conducted during the spring.





THE HEIMLEICH MANEUVER is the lesson being practiced by David Bateman on Alysia Martinez in Human Physiology. Denise Vigil watches, and is glad that it is only a demonstration and not real choking.

"YOU CAN'T BE SERIOUS!" John Phillips and Jason Martinez react to the results of their chemistry test in Mrs. Anita Arnold's class. Candi Helm hides her face in horror.



CARDIO PULMONARY RESUSCITATION (CPR) students Brenda Vigil, Kristy Taylor, and Belen Garcia work on the CPR dummy to practice lifesaving techniques.

FROG LEGS FOR DINNER? Can you actually imagine having something so disgusting to eat, asks Tony Holland as he dissects his frog in biology. Classmates Jennifer Cole, Katherine Meder, Lynn Bolt, Tim Hillis, Arnold Chacon and Justin Redding attempt the same procedure in science-oriented biology.



T een center grows from class assignment

From the Civil War to the crash of the stock market to the decline of the U.S.'s economic clout in the world — the social studies program covered these subjects as well as world affairs, the development of modern civilizations both here and abroad. As students studied, they learned what it takes to be a responsible American citizen.

New part-time social studies teacher Mrs. Holly Felmlee led her students to learn first-hand the rights and responsibilities of citizens. She scheduled a trip to city hall for her students to exercise their constitutional right to assemble. Not having a reason to assemble, the students discovered one which may affect teenagers in the San Luis Valley for years to come. The reason: discussion of a need for a teen center in the SLV. Felmlee's students took the project over, worked through

problems, and may have turned the project into reality if the county commissioners' allocation of \$75,000 for the project does become reality. Included in the students' proposal was a non-alcoholic snack bar, a place to dance, and, of course, M-TV.

Another new teacher, Mr. Ken Niven, added social studies teaching to his basketball and football coaching duties. He joined veteran teachers Mr. Paul Sterk and Mr. Leonard King in teaching senior American Government, junior U.S. History and sophomore World History. Two student teachers from ASC assisted the veteran department members. Larry Mortensen aided Mr. Sterk and Mr. Paul Heide learned from Mr. King's style. Mortensen commented, "Most colleges discourage student teaching at the high school one attended, but for me it's been a fun, positive experience to be here."

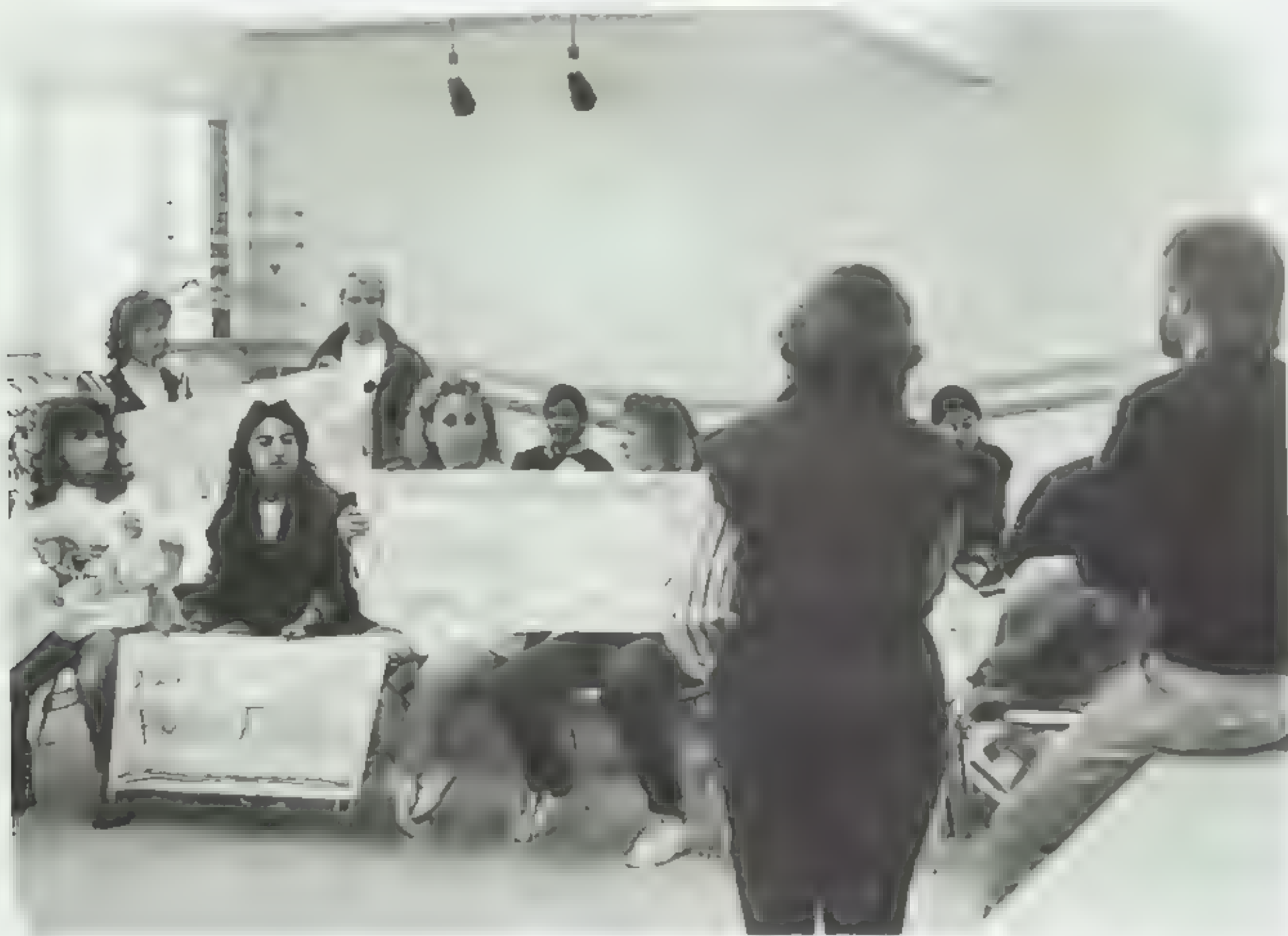
MR. KING'S LECTURE in U.S. History fascinates Monica Griego, Naya Bloom, Chris Bloedel and Craig Terptrak.

MAX EWING confidently prepares to hand in another test.



LAST HOUR OF THE DAY PROVIDES INTERMISSION for Mr. Ken Niven's American Government. Front row: Tami Krout, Kathy Seese, Amy Dix, Trinette Smith. Row two: Cathy Bentley, Lynda Caldwell, Kevin McHugh, Cyndi Melonas, Wes Carter. Row three: Jeremy Gibson, Isaac Chavez, student teacher Larry Mortensen and Mr. Niven.

STUDENTS EXPRESS THEIR RIGHT TO ASSEMBLE as they ask City Manager Greg Sparks for a teen center which would provide a non-alcoholic snack bar and entertainment. The American Government class includes Veronica Candelaria, Rhonda Roberts, Laura Avila, Gina Heersink, Sherri Collins, Pat Maez, Michelle Corning, Mrs. Holly Felmlee and Mark Gallegos.



JASON FREDERICKS AND RAY VIGIL pay differing amounts of attention to Mr. King's lecture.

MOST STUDENTS in Mr. Paul Sterk's world history class use their books to find answers, but Matt Martinez dreams on them. Martinez's neighbors include Deborah Davis Katherine Meder, Tanner Kingery, Sam Valdez and Tom Wyatt



IT'S A RACE TO THE FINISH for Jason Rose and Brad Lawrence as they take a warm-up lap before beginning other activities in P.E.

CHRIS MONTOYA SHOWS OFF his frisbee skills for the girls in his class during a warm spring day

Healthy minds depend on healthy bodies

Study by professionals has concluded that the healthy mind is directly dependent on the healthy body. Physical education classes attempted to create healthy, exercised bodies by playing sports ranging from badminton to track. Minds were exercised, too, as students were tested on skills learned in each activity.

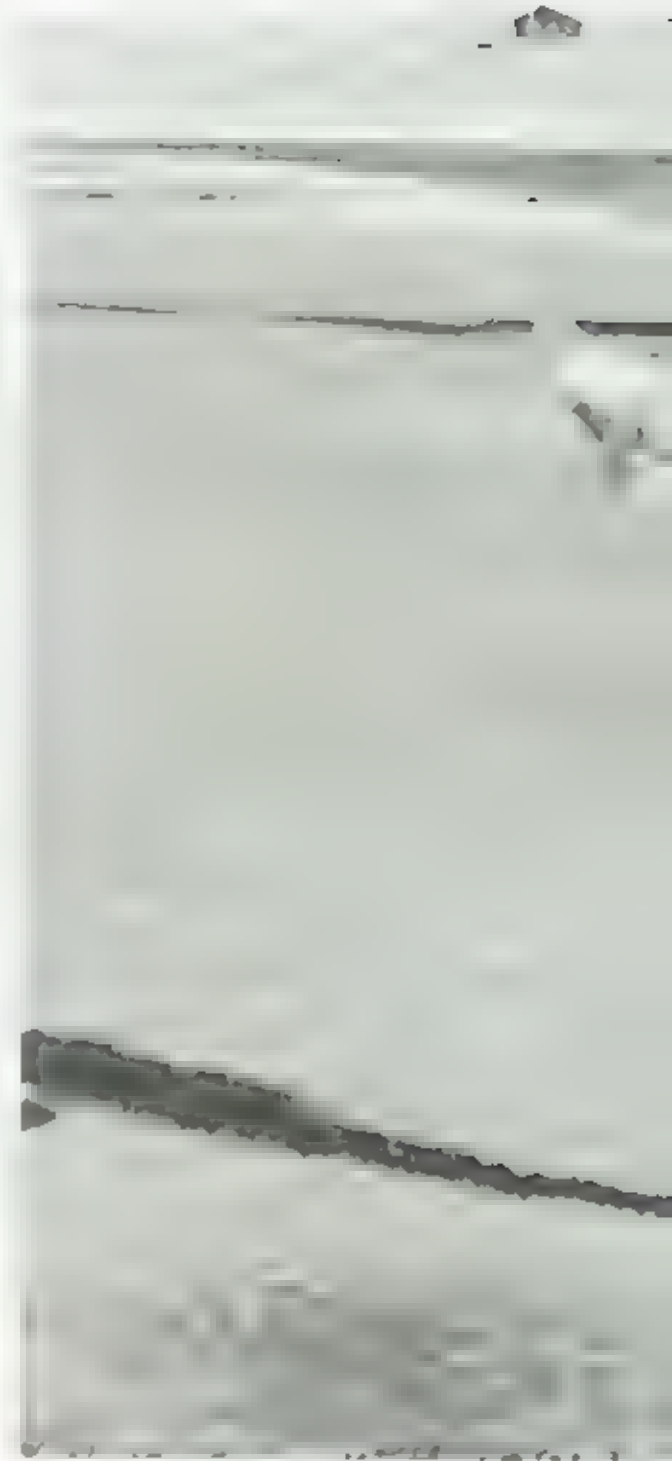
With every student required to complete one year of co-ed P.E. during high school, usually during the freshman year, classes were

large. More enthusiastic students also took advanced physical training which was a great way to get in shape as well as to train for sports during the off-season.

Mrs. Chris Valdez, Mr. Paul Crowder and Mr. Larry Zaragoza were P.E. teachers

"P.E. can be rewarding and exhausting, but it can be exciting if you make it exciting," said senior Julia Hensley, one of the P.E. teacher aides.

Mr. Zaragoza said, "It's been a fun and busy year."





A NEW SPORT, ARCHERY, interests P.E. classes during the fall semester.



FUTURE NBA FIRST ROUND DRAFT CHOICE? Dennis Wheeler dreams of someday dunking it for the Lakers as he fantasizes in class.

BOWLING A PERFECT SCORE is the aim of students, but the aim falls short of the mark for Brad Lawrence.



WORKING THE CLAY into award-winning pottery, Robin Johnson demonstrates her skills during the district art show for elementary students.

A MACHINE FOR SILKSCREENING, constructed by Eric VanIwaarden and Todd Davis, is beneficial to Mr. Larry Basky and the entire art department.

CATCHING UP ON WORLD EVENTS, David Madril rests from his art project at the end of class.

DURING THE ART SHOW in the AHS gym, Angie Ward demonstrates painting with acrylics as she finishes up this bar scene.

REVEALING HER MASTERPIECE print, Erica DeVore impresses Natalie Iness and Fred Casanova (far right).



Oils, acrylics, prints take top IML awards

The 1987-88 Art Program had its ups and downs. Art teacher, Mr. Larry Basky commented in retrospect: "Some students were great, some students were unbelievably poor."

Throughout the year, students worked in media including oils, acrylics, ink, pencil, and printmaking saving the best work for the Intermountain League (IML) Show.

The "were great" students did outstandingly well at the IML Art Show held April 7 and 8 by capturing 21 awards.

"This was probably the best show since we've been in the league. I think from beginning to advanced, the work was well-executed and craftsmanship was excellent. I also felt a few more should have gotten awards, but that's to be expected anytime you enter a juried show," stated Basky.

Spencer Perdew received best of show in the beginning class along with a first place ink print and second in opaque water media. Kristy Taylor took a first place in advanced oils and acrylics and also a top award in

transparent water media and printmaking. Also, in beginning oils and acrylics, Tanya Dean took second place including a second in transparent water media.

Seniors John Phillips and Kevin McHugh received the top three awards in advanced sculpture as Phillips crafted the top award and McHugh entered the second and third place winners. An honorable mention award was also received in the event by senior Robin Johnson.

Johnson continued by receiving a first place in advanced pottery. Color drawing events saw Alamosa taking a third place from Michelle Donovan in beginning and Dan Gallegos in advanced. A third place was also achieved by Willie Olivas in beginning scratchboard.

Rounding out the winners were Angela Ward with a second in advanced communicating and Mike Sanchez in first place printmaking.

Basky closed with a note of praise for his prize-winning students: I felt the students did an excellent job representing AHS."



MARCHING BAND provides entertainment for Homecoming

DRUM MAJOR AMY DENOON and flag girls including **Marcie Martinez** and **Jody Hanel** add color to the drill

ADDING PEP TO GAMES, (far right), are band members **Eugenio Quintana**, **Corbett Henderson**, **Deanne Motz**, **Connie Garcia**, **Brian Hudiburgh** and **Rob Moeny**.

CLARINETS OUT FRONT! (center) Band drills enhanced football game half-times

LARGE GROUP ENSEMBLES helped the choir acquire new skills.



CHOIR MEMBERS REHEARSE Row one **Lottie Shaffer**, **Tina Baiza**, **Natalie Iness**, **Donna Nite**, **Michelle Edwards**, **JoAnn Hogan**, **Liffany Henry** Row two **Frances Cale**, **Jason Rahn**, **Robert Espinoza**, **Darren Rahn**, **Brian Hudiburgh**, **Jeff Atkinson**, **Brandon Alencio**, **Fred Gomez**.

NEW DIRECTOR **Mr. Leory Baum** plays along with the band





Baums revamp music program

"It's been fun to be at AHS, there is lots of potential and the kids are great," commented new band director Mr. Leroy Baum who came with his wife, Mrs. Jan Baumert, to co-direct with her the music program. Mr. Baum said that kids everywhere needed to have fun, and this is probably one of the reasons that many kids here get along with him so well.

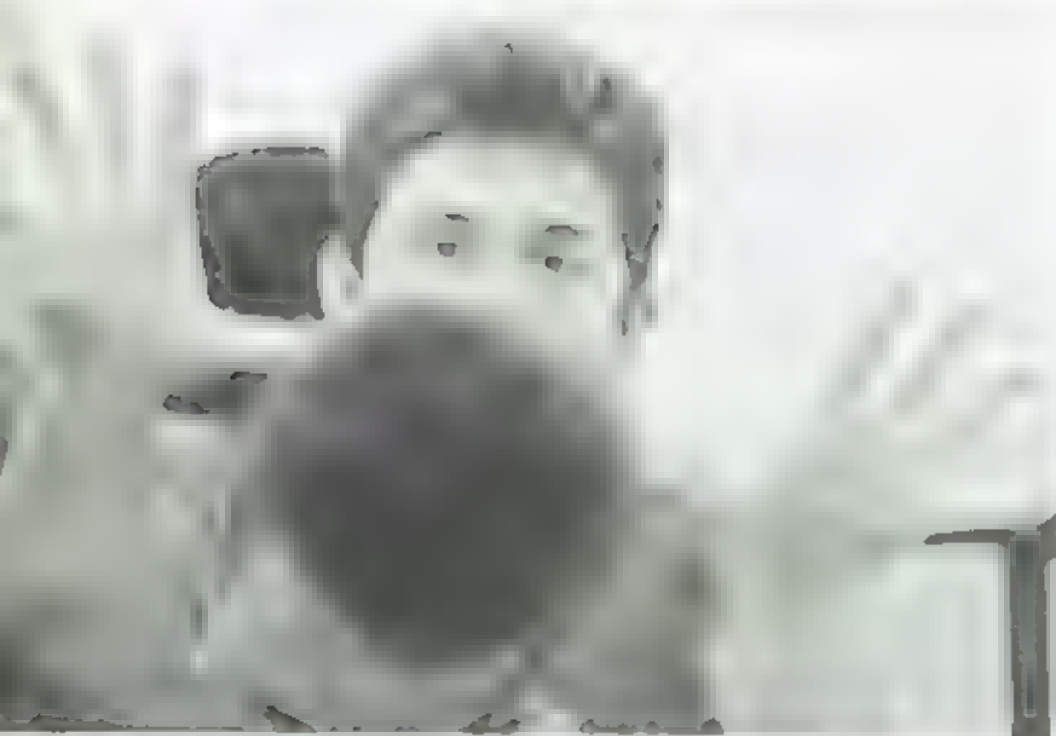
In addition to having fun, the band and choir students have participated in numerous musical and non-musical activities this year. With a goal of traveling to Florida next year, the band has held fund raisers such as a car wash, a carnival, and a chili supper to build up money in the Band Parents' account for the future trip. Raffleing a 1980 Mustang was another fund-raiser.

Marching band included a trip to regional and state competition. Pep band attended games, and jazz band had three or four concerts during the year. At the end of April there was a spring concert, after which the marching band prepared for the 1988-89 school year.

The choir was also important and busy. State and solo and ensemble contests were attended. Chosen for state choir were JoAnne Hogan, Tina Baize, Natalie Inese and Michelle Edwards. "State was the greatest experience of my high school life!" exclaimed Hogan.

Both Baums brought much-needed enthusiasm to the music department, replacing Mr. Linwood Warwick in band and Mr. Randy Baumert in choir.

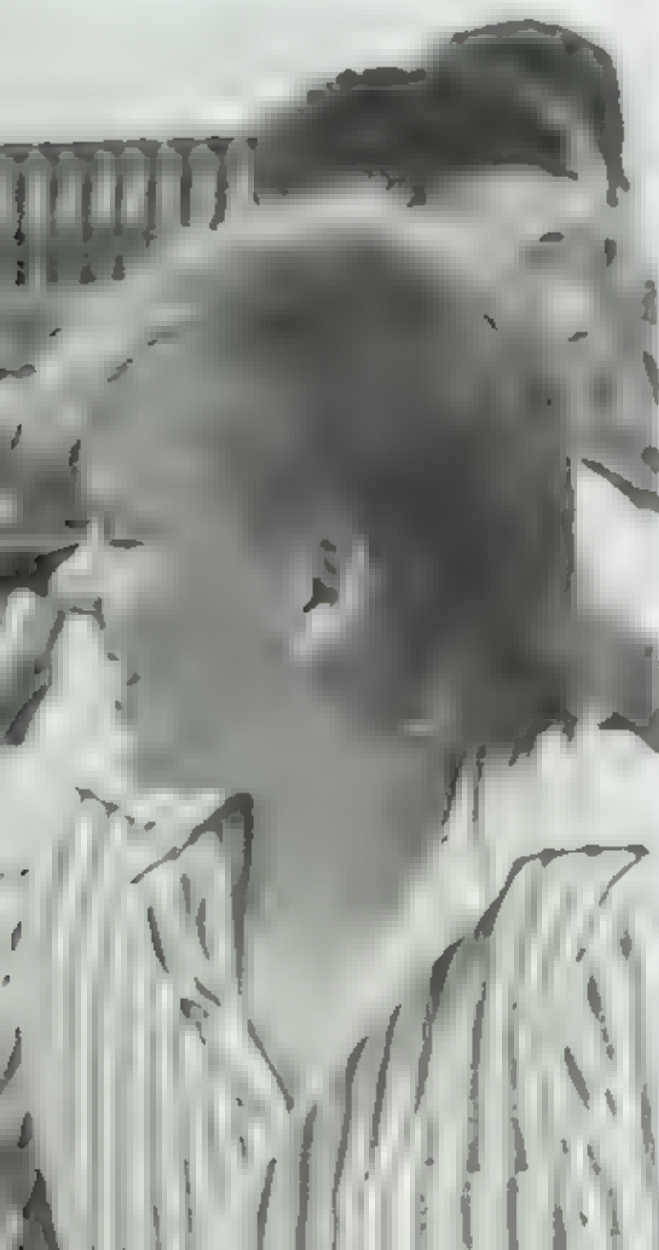
"MAYBE DAD WILL EXPLAIN this to me at home," contemplates Rosa Martinez in Spanish III, taught by her father, Dr. Herman Martinez.



"BONJOUR, MES AMIS," says Scott Geiser to the rest of Mrs. Pat Dunn's French I class which includes Kristy Brunelli, John Dodds, Randy Lopez and others.

"I'LL MAKE TOM WYATT into a Le Monstre," thinks Shawn Rubidoux during French class





"SPANISH CLASS IS SO MUCH FUN," think Tammy Jo Martinez, John Phillips, Clint Smith, and Michelle Masiel as Ximena Gonzales reads them a story.

Cuidad Juarez, Mexico hosts Spanish class

Cuidad Juarez, Mexico, was the destination for the Spanish III field trip over Christmas break to take a look at life south of the border. "The highlight of the trip was bargaining at the Mercado Juarez. It was so wild that some guy even cussed me out in Spanish," remembered Jason Martinez.

Spanish shopping centers and art galleries were a few of the places the students visited over the three-day trip. For example, Artesanias de Mexico, Mercado Juarez, Avenida Juarez, El Pronof and Avenida 16 de Septiembre.

Monica Griego found these to be a good place for her to practice her everyday lessons: "Going to Mexico gave me much first-hand experience in talking to people who use Spanish every day."

Interest in Spanish as a second language has increased over the past few years. In fact, there are now four Spanish I classes, three Spanish II classes, and one new Spanish III class. "I love to see all the interest in Spanish increasing from when I first arrived at AHS," commented Mrs. Vicki Maestas, teacher in the Spanish department along

with Mr. Herman Martinez.

Both teachers were well-liked, according to students, and took a strong interest in the department, even giving up part of Christmas vacation to visit Mexico.

Parlez-vous Francais?

Maybe not, but French students learned to.

Both of Mrs. Pat Dunn's French I classes participated in such activities as drawing projects, learning grammatical concepts, and learning and singing of French songs. Sara Judson, a junior in Mrs. Dunn's sixth hour class, took French because, "It was either that or auto shop."

Dunn's only French II class also did drawing projects, along with French cooking and French dialogues which were videotaped. Alysia Martinez took French II because she "likes the language. It's fun to speak."

Mrs. Dunn had one French III student, Amy Sterk, who plans to take individual study AP French next year "I guess I'm just a glutton for punishment!" Sterk said.

Mrs. Dunn said she found her French classes this year to be pretty normal. "They've improved over the course of the year."

Gardner claims math is 'home for nerds'

Mathematics: everyone's favorite subject. Or so the math department staff thought. Mr. Larry Gardner, Mrs. Charlotte Henderson, Mr. Glen Hodges, Mr. Sandy Hill, and Mr. Frank Moeller made up the math department. The math subjects ranged from arithmetic to pre-calculus and Pascal.

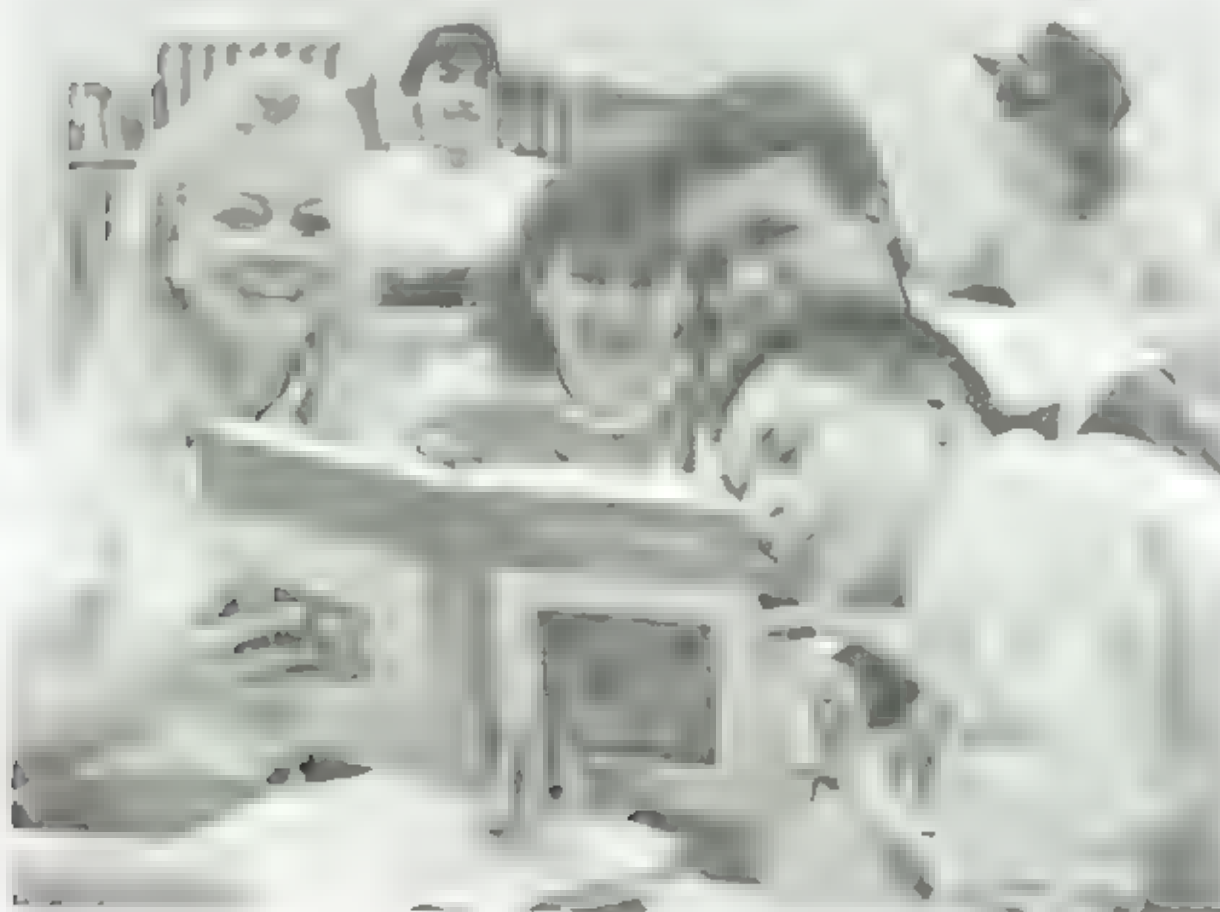
Mr. Gardner commented, "The math department was very happy to provide a home for nerds, and we were proud to have reached our goal of

GPA reduction."

Many students agreed with Mr. Gardner on the GPA reduction.

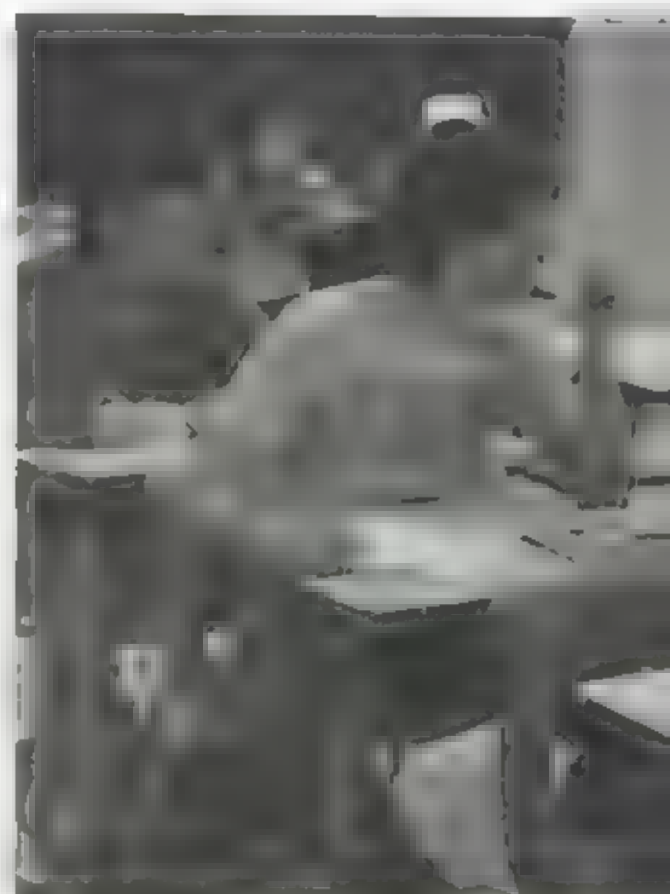
Mrs. Henderson added, "If students would take our classes, we could better prepare them for college."

Some students agreed and some didn't. Robby Rudder summed up the math department saying, "The math department itself is good, but math as a whole is far from my favorite subject."



"LET'S SEE IF SHAWN [RUBIDOUX] knows the answer," says Eva Rutgers, Kristy Brunelli and Tom Wyatt. Randy Lopez and David Wilder take a more relaxed attitude toward the geometry problem as the group studies. Rubidoux hopes to get the answer through closed-eyes meditation.

A LOOK OF BEWILDERMENT comes over Bryce Snyder's face as Mr. Frank Moeller gives Eric VanGieson the answer in Topics in math class.





GRETCHEN WAGNER finds Mr. Hill's Intro to Algebra class quite humorous, while Mr. Hill takes a more serious approach to the subject

"I'M DONE," Greg Ward gives a sigh of relief as he urges Brian Duran to finish the assignment in Mr. Hodges' geometry class.



JASON HOWE STARES AWAY from this "row of intelligence" consisting of Mr. Larry Gardner, Robbie Jackson, Janet Sears, and Yvette Scarlett in Pascal class. They plan to take the Advanced Placement test



"YOU WANT IT WHEN?" The three G's—Fred Gomez, Chris Golsan and Monica Grieg—question the topic, and the purpose of, their English paper for Advanced Placement Junior English.

NOTHING SEEMS TO FAZE Michelle Mestas, even her writing assignment of pages and pages for Mr. Mike Kuhne's Advanced Placement Language and Composition.



DAVID ROSENBERG FINDS a dark, quiet corner of the library to study for his accelerated sophomore English class test.

WHILE DR. COCHRAN LECTURES, David Bateman and Andy Zanski listen spellbound to the differences between Hinduism and Christianity.





I don't grasp the concept: enlightening, worthless?

"English, I guess I don't quite grasp the concept. It's enlightening but worthless." Senior AP English student Yvette Scarlett expressed such views after completing the double-weighted course. The "enlightening but worthless" classes were taught by Mrs. Patricia Dunn, Mr. Mike Kuhne, Mrs. Kathy Newmyer, Mr. Dale Barron, and Mrs. Janice Watkins. The new additions to the department include Dr. Judith Cochran, Mr. Chris Elton, and Mrs. Lynn Mason.

Ironically, Mr. Kuhne and the class of 1988 not only arrived at AHS together, but are now leaving to bigger and hopefully better things together. After deciding on the move, Kuhne reminisced on his four years as an extremely popular teacher: "I loved working with the faculty and the students. I'm particularly fond of the class of '88." The seniors are only a part of the group that are fond of Kuhne.

The two AP classes involved themselves in

assignments a little out of the ordinary. The junior class, taught by Mr. Kuhne, carried on trials for Socrates and the Orestia Cycle. The senior class used an editing board to complete a film on how to do a research paper. Mrs. Dunn, the senior teacher, plans to use this film for future classes. The class also wrote a critique on the modern writer, Stephen King, to be submitted for publication in a national magazine.

The English department was a busy place to be this year whether the students were writing a term paper or preparing for a speech. The classes are not really "worthless" as indicated above, especially in the aspect of diplomas as seniors need four English credits to graduate.

Also included in the English classes was the Theater-Forensics class taught by Mr. Mike Kuhne and Mrs. Marie Szkalak, who was later replaced by Mr. Chris Elton. The class was divided into a half a year of debate and then half a year of theater.



ALL AGREE accelerated ninth-grade English is hard. Class members are Lisa Herrera, Loretta Martinez, Loren Broyles, Darius Senkus, Josh Bloom and Darlene Mancuso. Kash Kelloff hides behind the literature textbook.

MR. MIKE KUHNE ANSWERS another "intelligent" question posed by his forensics class. This was the last year of four for the popular English teacher, coach and friend of students.

Shop situations stress skills

WOOD SHOP

Noise, bustling about, and learning about an infinite number of power tools was what Wood Shop was all about. Students demonstrated their knowledge of tools and their skill with their hands by preparing many wood products.

First year woods classes began the year by learning techniques and safety precautions from teacher Mr. Bob Jones. The first part of school was spent using new skills to create boxes and simple projects, while the last of the year was spent building more difficult projects, yet ones that required small amounts of time.

Students not only benefited by learning a new trade, they learned skills for personal use. "I learned that I could furnish my own home," stated Brent Husung, a first-year student.

AUTO SHOP

Changes were on the agenda for the Auto Shop classes this year. One major addition was the oscilloscope, used to electronically monitor the ignition system of a car. Ernie Wooten commented, "The new oscilloscope is a big help to students, and a worthwhile investment for the school."

Students enrolled in Auto classes enjoy both the class

and its instructor, Mr. Gary Ramstetter, who pointed out that his Auto I class was "full of hard workers," although his Auto II class "wasn't as active."

All students said they were improving their automotive skills for personal use, and some of the group said they planned to use them in the future, possibly for a career.

MACHINE SHOP

Machine shop students, taught by Mr. Ron Loven, made many technological improvements for the town and school this year. One project was to repair the machine for City Market which is used to plastic-wrap bakery products. "They called all in a panic. They had nothing to wrap their doughnuts in," laughed Mr. Loven.

Todd Davis and Eric VanIwaarden made a silkscreening machine for the AHS art class. The class also resurfaced an anvil for the Adams State College art department.

"It's fun, but we still learn a lot," said Mark Jones, sophomore.

Students in the machine shop class made such projects as paper weights, vises, C-clamps, hammers and ashtrays.

"I like this class because we get to do neat projects," John Salazar commented.



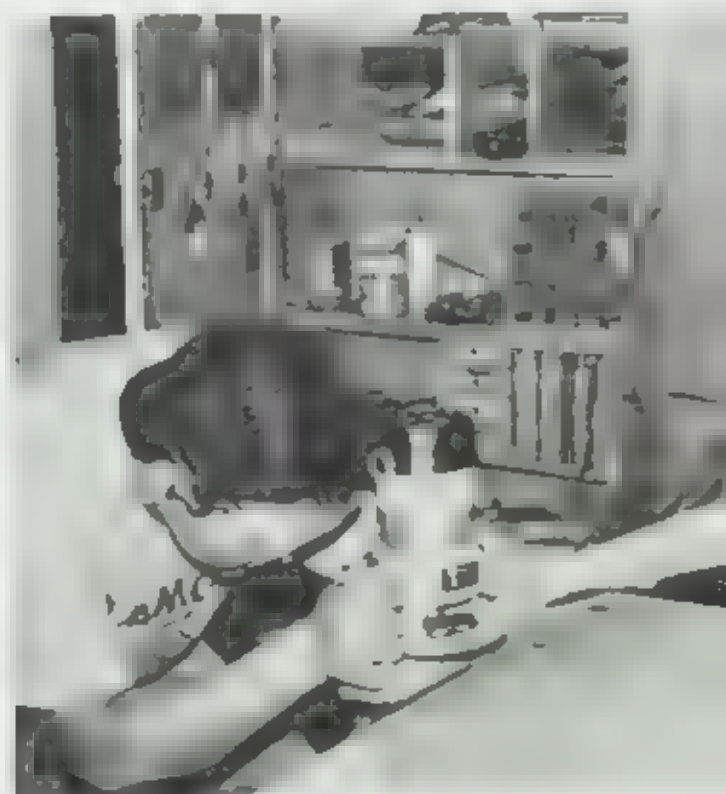
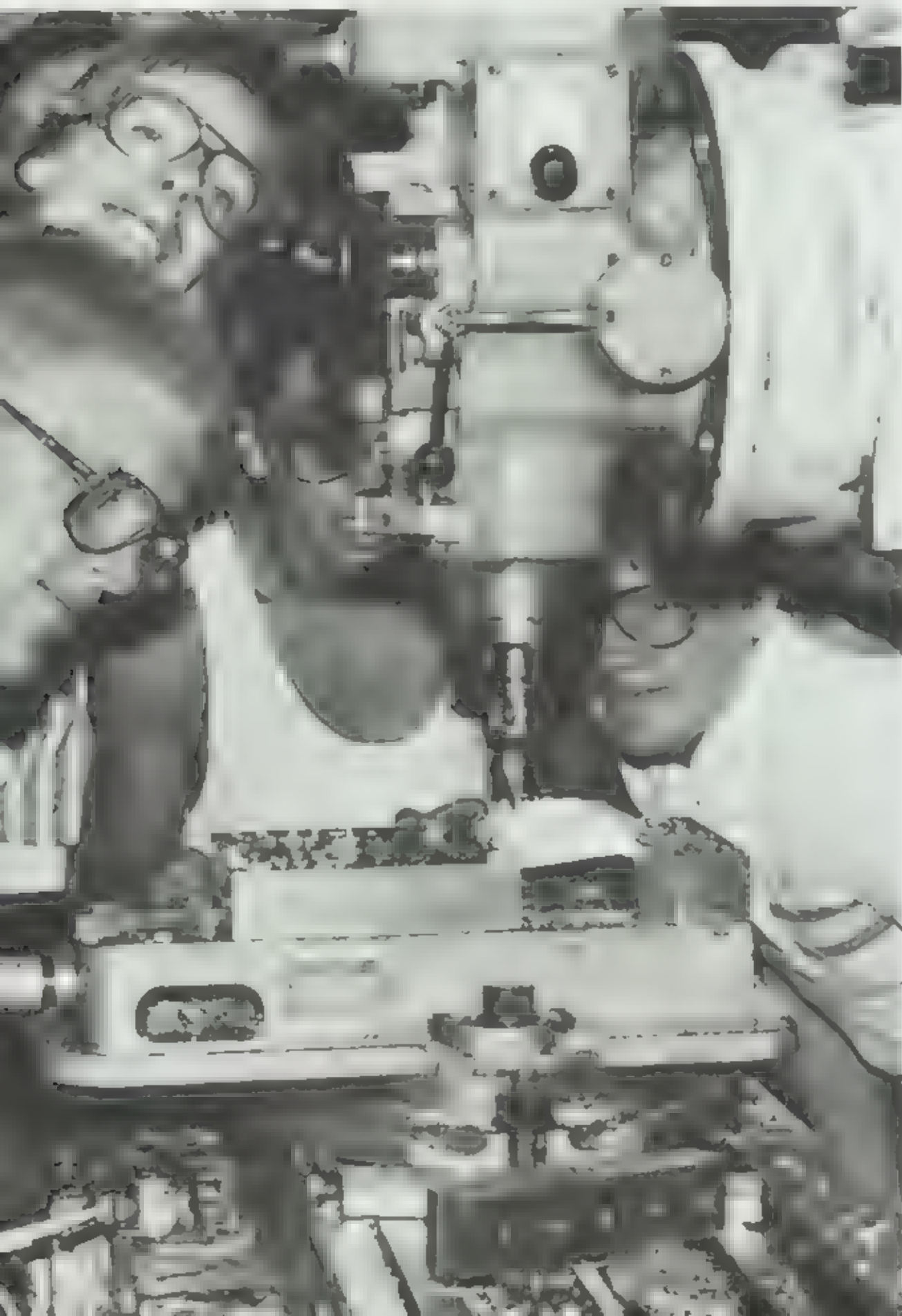
CONSTRUCTING A UTILITY CUP is one of the many tasks performed by Todd Davis, Eric VanIwaarden, Diego Rael and Ray Sholey in Machine Shop I. Enrollment was up in the class this year, and many public service jobs were completed by the group.



GETTING READY to use the router in wood shop, Trevor Zimmerman and Andy Bateman take a breather while Nick Garcia listens to instructions from Mr. Bobby Jones, woods teacher

AUTO SHOP'S NEW OSCILLISCOPE checks for faults in automobile motors. Students Craig Terpatra, Jamie Blaney, and Ernie Wooten show off the helpful new instrument.

PARTS OF AN ENGINE get the attention of Alex Mondragon and Mike Heimson in Auto I class.



ACCORDING TO BRANDON FLAVIN, concentration is the key to perfection while working with tools in woods class. He works on a gun stock

Please
Don't Erase...

FANTASTIC LEAPS emphasizes the enthusiasm of a second place finish at state for Ximena Gonzalez, Heta Boring, and Laura Shriver





RUNNING FOR DAYLIGHT, Mike Quintana picks up useful yardage with the blocking of teammates John Phillips, Rod Madrid, and Darren Mizokami. The Maroons won their fourth straight Homecoming 39-6.

DYNASTY ESTABLISHED

State semi-finalists grab third consecutive IML title

After cruising through a third consecutive inter-mountain league championship season with a 10-2 record, the Mighty Moose hosted a tough Sheridan team in the preliminary round of the state playoffs and, for the first time in two years, advanced

with a 17-6 victory. The next stop for the underdog Maroons was the quarterfinal game against highly touted and number-one ranked Windsor Wizards. With hundreds of Alamosa supporters looking on, the Maroons scored a sweet 7-0 victory. Next on the agenda was the semi-final match-up between the Moose and Fountain/Ft. Carson Trojans played on Alamosa's Bennett Field. The Moose played their hearts out in front of a full grandstand, but lost the hard-fought battle 20-12.

The season was one filled with the most victories for an AHS team since 1950, and will be one remembered by all as time and time again the Moose silenced the critics by winning the big ones as well as the little ones.

The 1987-88 team was filled with individual talent, evident in

numerous awards won by many of the players as well as coach Manny Wasinger. Individual awards included Justin Hensley being named first team All-Conference, first team All-Valley, San Luis Valley Player of the Year, and All-State. David Bateman was first team in four areas: All-Conference, All-Valley, All-State, and All-Colorado. John Phillips captured All-Conference, All-Valley, and All-State honors. Coach Manny Wasinger was honored as San Luis Valley Coach of the Year for the third consecutive season, a feat never before accomplished since the All-Valley selections were put into effect.

"This season was one of the most memorable and enjoyable I have ever had here at Alamosa," commented Coach Wasinger. "It exceeded all my expectations."



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all my
expectations."
- Coach Wasinger**



VARSITY AND JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL. Front row: Manager Casie Lucas, Tom Wyatt, Richard Yohn, Mike Medina, Dennis Wheeler, Alex Mondragon, Sloan Henderson, Dean Lee, Darrel Beiriger, David Rosenberg, Manager Greg Gulley. Row 2: Chad Liddell, Perry Valentine, Jim Plane, Mark Jones, Travis Heersink, Casey Gibbs, Mike Lopez, Tanner Kingery, Rod Madrid, Brian Sanchez. Row 3: Asst. Coach Ken Niven, Head Coach Manny Wasinger, Tom Collins, Darren Mizokami, Josh Bloom, Justin Hensley, Todd Davis, David Garcia, Garret Talley, Blair Corning, Steve Clayton, Asst. Coach Mark Leetgieb, Asst. Coach George Riechert. Row 4: Asst. Coach Ken Carpenter, Justin Redding, Joe Kelloff, Mike Quintana, Mitch Wagner, David Bateman, Melvin DeHerrera, Gary Martin, John Phillips, Rod Silver, Brad Widhalm, Kevin Jones, Shawn Medina, Brian Duran, Andy Bateman, Craig Terpstra, Ceasar Martinez.

VARSITY FOOTBALL	
SCOREBOARD	
OPPONENT	SCORE
WINDSOR	10-0
MARCO VISTA	14-54
WON 10, LOST 2	



STANDOUT QUARTERBACK Brad Widhalm hands off the ball to Mike Quintana during the Maroons' 54-14 win over Monte Vista.



KICKING WITH FINE FORM, Mike Lopez insures a 7-0 victory against Windsor in State quarterfinals.



DARREN MIZOKAMI AND JUSTIN REDDING prepare to smash Buena Vista's Troy Schaffer during the Maroons' Homecoming game.

SKILLS DEVELOPMENT STRESSED with frosh, junior varsity teams



HEADING FOR A VICTORY over Monte Vista, Darren Mizokami and Todd Davis make a play.

The Junior Varsity and Freshman football teams gave AHS fans hope for yet another state playoff team.

The young gridgers showed determination and pride throughout the year. These things seemed to give them the winning edge as the JV team

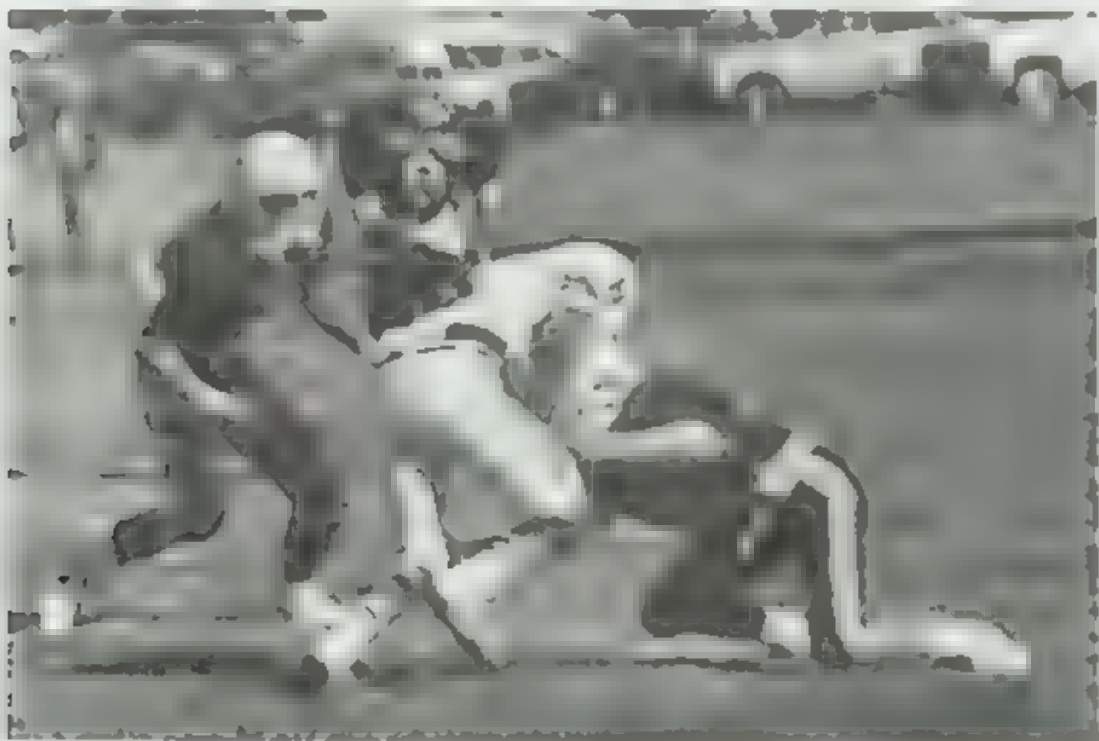
defeated the likes of Gunnison and the old Alamosa nemesis, Trinidad, by scores of 48-12 and 26-20.

"We had a great year, won a few games and had a lot of fun. I expect these kids to do really well in their future," said Coach Dave Weldon.





FRESHMAN FOOTBALL TEAM
 Front row: Jon Kelly, Carlos Lopez, Steve Johnson, Eddie Valdez, Toby Campbell, Perry Jehlicka, Richard Ono, Max Duran. Row 2: Coach Dave Weldon, Billy Gonzalez, Ray Casias, Kash Kelloff, Chris Chacon, Scott Geiser, Paul Holland, Chris Montoya, Aaron Woodke, and Coach Dave Martinez.



MIKE LOPEZ GETS DOWN to stop a BV Demon while Justin Hensley and Rod Silver (above left) make sure that he does no further.

THE MEAN MOOSE contingent (above) charges through a pre-game tunnel.

WATER IS WELCOME on this bench, and is enjoyed by both backs and linemen. Even though there may be a few pieces of grass in the water, Justin Hensley is willing to pick them out.

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 a lot of fun."
 Coach Dave Weldon**



FRESHMAN ALL-AROUNDER Jamie Seese prepares for her fly-away dismount at the Salida meet en route to becoming a state finalist and the team's top scorer.

FOURTH AT STATE

keyed by gymnastics team depth

"This is the most depth we've had on our team, which helped us, especially when someone was injured or sick," said senior Kathy Seese. Seese's analysis proved to be all too true, yet unfortunate, for senior state qualifier Johnson. During

practice, Johnson experienced severe ligament damage and underwent surgery two days before the state meet.

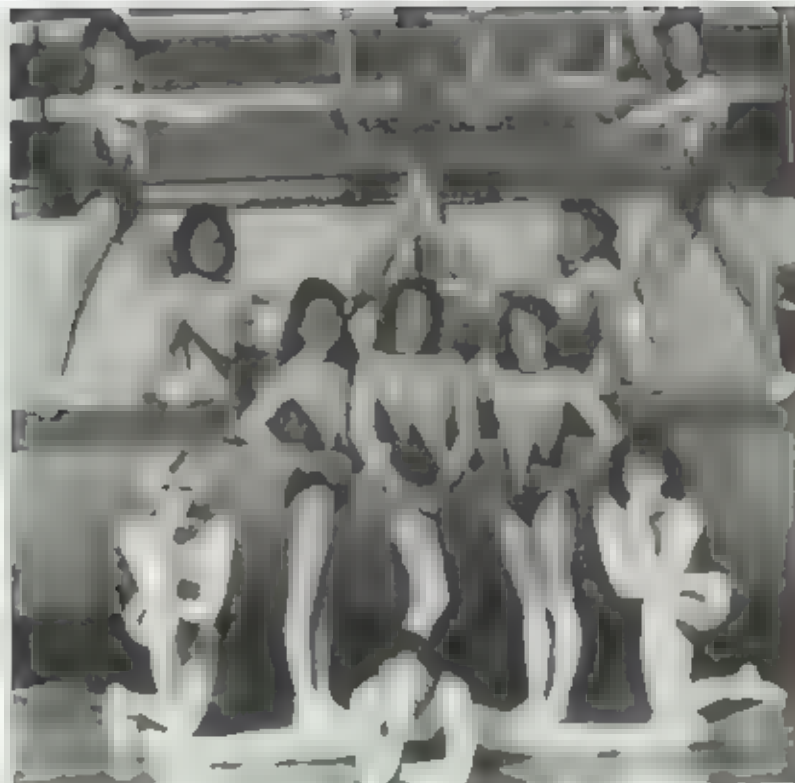
For the first time this year, the A-AA and AAA-AAAA teams competed together at Colorado University in Boulder; however, they were judged differently. "It was really exciting to be able to compete in the same gym with all those big schools but it was also a little intimidating!" Delhia Anthony exclaimed. Nine of the ten gymnasts qualified for state with five of those advancing to the finals. Those five were Jamie Seese on bars, floor, and vault; Fujii on bars; Jennifer Seese on floor; Anthony on beam; and Kathy Seese on vault.

Gymnasts of 1987 continued to excel as they worked their way toward an outstanding fourth

place finish at the State Meet. The team was boosted by the talent of four freshmen: Sumi Fujii, Marie Chacon, Laurie Meyer, and Jamie Seese. Seese achieved 8.9 on the uneven parallel bars, 8.45 on the vault, and 33.2 all-around score, all of which were the season-high scores in these events. Kathy Seese had the high score of the season on floor with an 8.75, and Delhia Anthony had the high score on the balance beam with an 8.6.

In addition to the above, the tumblers benefitted from the contributions of Jennifer Seese, Tracy Archuleta, Kim Porter, and Stephanie Johnson. Manager Julie Hensley also assisted the team greatly. Leading the team to their success were Coaches Chris Valdez and Kim Meis.

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GRACEFULNESS, definitely one of Jennifer Seese's many assets, sparks her routine (above) against Salida where she took first place on beam.

GYMNASTICS TEAM (top right). Front row: Stephanie Johnson, Delhia Anthony, Kathy Seese. Row 2: Marie Chacon, Kim Porter, Jennifer Seese. On Beam: Jamie Seese, Tracy Archuleta, Sumi Fujii, Laurie Meyer.

CONCENTRATION AND DETERMINATION highlight Stephanie Johnson's beam routine at the first home meet (above right). She took first with 7.9.

ENDING HER FLOOR ROUTINE with a perfect split, Kathy Seese (below) receives an 8.75, her highest score, at La Junta.



GYMNASTICS SCOREBOARD			
AHS	Score	Score	Score
Marlene	7.9	8.0	8.1
Junie	7.8	7.9	8.0
Sumi	7.7	7.8	7.9
Tracy	7.6	7.7	7.8
Delhia	7.5	7.6	7.7
Kim	7.4	7.5	7.6
Marie	7.3	7.4	7.5
Stephanie	7.2	7.3	7.4
Jennifer	7.1	7.2	7.3
Jamie	7.0	7.1	7.2
Laurie	6.9	7.0	7.1
Kathy	6.8	6.9	7.0
Valley High	6.7	6.8	6.9

DISTANCE RUNNERS' MOTTO: Baby, we were born to run and run and...run

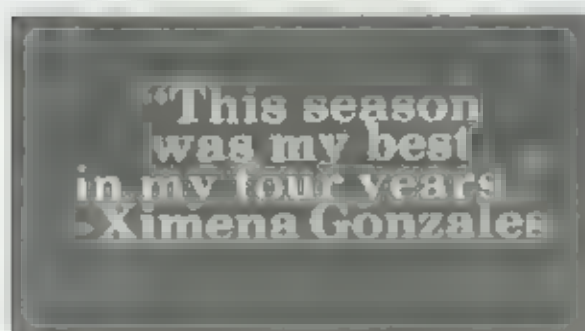
"Baby, we were born to run and run and run," was the motto of the cross country team. The team was built from lots of hard work and dedication and their record was a great improvement over records of the past few years.

The girls' team strived hard to make it to state, then became state runners-up. The team was led by senior Ximena Gonzales

who remarked, "This X-country season was the best in my four years. It marks only the second time our woman's team had qualified for state and we were state runners-up!"

The boys' team did not show such great achievement, but were well-led by freshman Pat Snyder and senior Kevin McHugh.

CROSS-COUNTRY SCOREBOARD	
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8. [illegible]	8. [illegible]
9. [illegible]	9. [illegible]
10. [illegible]	10. [illegible]



CROSS COUNTRY TEAM. Front row: Gilbert Romero, Breta Bervig, Meadow Stagner, Ximena Gonzales, Deanne Matz, Mary Mercier, Laura Shriber, Randy Lopez. Top row: Robert Moeny, Kevin McHugh, K.C. Calder, Spencer Perdew, Matt Snyder, Adrian Arnold, Dominic Duran, Billy McLemore.



KEVIN McHUGH WAITS with Coach Dennis Schoenfelder during state cross-country meet.

PLAGUED BY EXHAUSTION, Matt Snyder and K.C. Calder take a "breather."





MARY MERCIER AND BRETA BERVIG tally points for the successful girls' team.

THE "SIX-PACK ATTACK" — Gonzales, Bervig, Mercier, Molz, Stagner and Shriber take a second place at state after tearing up the courses all season



STRIDING ALONG AT THE BOLDER BOULDER, K.C. Calder takes the city's X-C Challenge, as did his teammates.

SHOUTING WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT. Ximena Gonzales calls back to teammate Meadow Stagner.



KEVIN MCHUGH runs for the team's life at district competition.

FRESHMAN STANDOUT Adrian Arnold gives it his all during district.

HAPPY AT THE TEAM'S PROGRESS, teammates K C Calder, Meadow Stagner, Laura Shriber, Bretta Bervig, Deanne Motz, Gilbert Romero, Matt Snyder, Mary Mercer, Ximena Gonzales, Adrian Arnold and Dominic Duran leap for joy at Boulder.



MOST OUTSTANDING cross country runner, Laura Shriber, keeps up the intensity to finish at the top of the pack.

J.V. TRAINING PROGRAMS BUILD skills, confidence for 28 players

"We had a lot of fun, and we learned a lot about team spirit," stated Tracy Lillpop, freshman volleyball team member.

According to their coach, they had a very successful start in their high school volleyball participation. Starting with them

was a new coach, Ms. Tandi Gulliford, who led them to their great outlook, according to head coach Mike Kuhne.

"The junior varsity volleyball team was the spunkiest I've coached in the last three years," praised Coach Fred Gonzales. "Best of all is that 99 percent of the team were freshmen or sophomores. Move over, varsity, here they come!"

JV play stressed skills development and preparation for varsity play as well as making it as enjoyable as possible, said coach Gonzales.



JUNIOR VARSITY VOLLEYBALL TEAM Front row: Eva Rutgers, Lynn Bolt, Jennifer Cole, Debbie Moya. Row two: Denise Vigil, Cheri Simpson, April Yohn, Naya Bloom, Laurie Terpstra. Top row: Manager Kristi Fuller, Susie MacLeod, Gretchen Wagner, Terry Christensen, Manager Sandra Abeyta, Coach Fred Gonzales.



FRESHMAN VOLLEYBALL TEAM. Top row: Coach Tandi Gulliford, Janet Honeycutt, Tabatha Howe, Robin Stagner, Tracy Lillpop, Sara Dunn. Row two: Kandace Garcia, Rita Archuleta, Michelle Gay, Maureen McHugh, Joy Kingery. Front row: Kristi Romero, Melissa Wooten, Mindy Simmons, Lara Suarez.

"They were the spunkiest team you could ever wish for."
— Coach Fred Gonzales

ENTHUSIASM, PRIDE KEY

Spikers' winning 1987 season

Girls varsity volleyball enjoyed their best season ever. The team worked hard all season to improve their overall game. Many of the games contributed to the powerful school spirit and pride that rose throughout the year. Their goals fell short, as they missed their shot for districts with a record of 9 and 4.

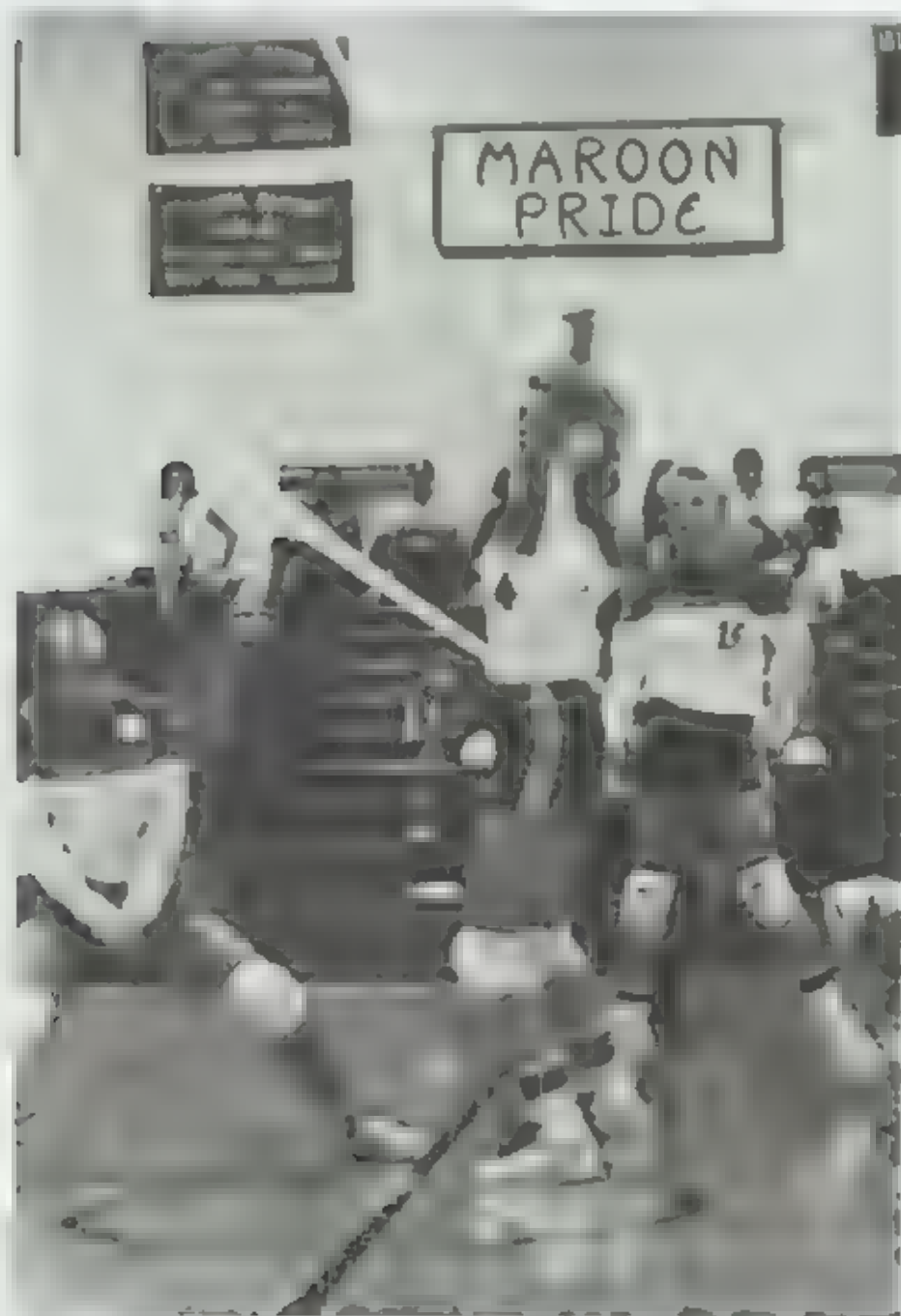
"Our volleyball season didn't end how we wanted it to, but we had fun anyway. We had a young team that gained a lot of experience so next year's team should do well also," stated

senior Tami Krout. The team was filled with much noticeable enthusiasm and pride. The team of 1987 will be the last Valley team for Kuhne to coach as he will be leaving for graduate school the following year.

"I started with this group and I'll end with this group. I'm proud that I got a chance to work with them; they are good people," remarked Coach Kuhne.

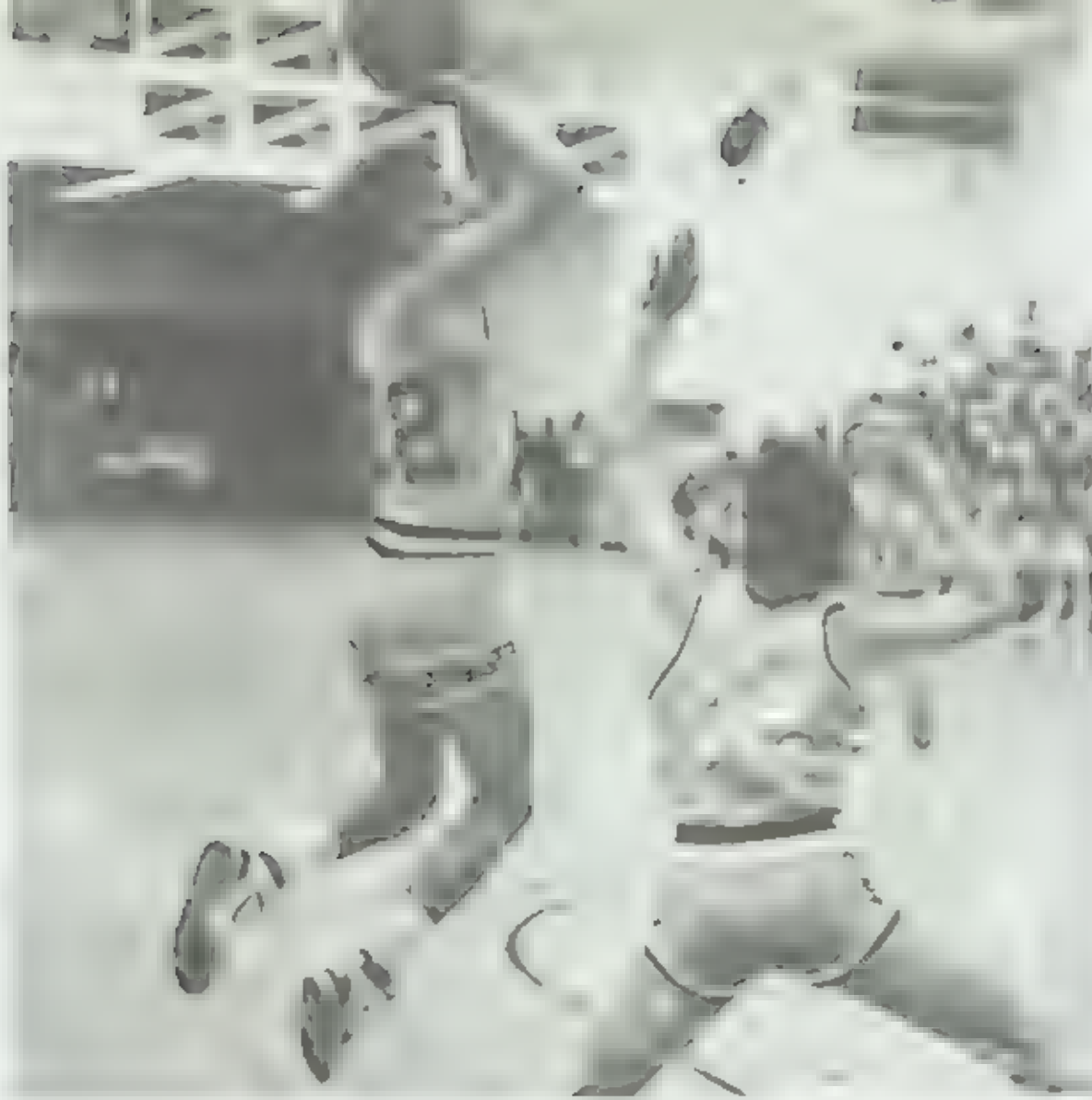
All-conference honors went to seniors Tami Krout and Tracey Dunn. Honorable mention went to junior Alvsia Martinez.

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- Coach Mike Kuhne**



SETTING TO HER HITTERS, Marcie Martinez sends the ball to Kristi Taylor and Ingrid Hermanson. Lisa Thomas and Tami Krout prepare for the next play.

AS JENNIFER DEWITTE spikes the ball against Monte Vista, Brenda Nielsen waits to pounce for the return.



SHOOTING THE "J", Andy Zanski is enroute to two of his 14 points in the district championship.

SOPHOMORE STANDOUT Ben Caton attacks the land and fires one up against Trinidad.



A FEW INCHES SHORT: Maroons fall in title bid!

The goal: A state championship. The result: a few inches short, a 21-2 record, and a runner-up trophy. The boys' basketball team tore through the league and district rounds in hopes of being able to capture that one single goal of the season. After defeating Brush 75-61 in the quarterfinals, the Maroons had but one game left to play before reaching the AA Championship Game.

Friday night the Maroons went against the odds makers and defeated the number two seed Glenwood Springs in front of some 5,000 fans at the Denver Colliseum 76-70. At last, for the first time in 49 years, an Alamosa team was in the championship.

Maroons' opponent was the Weld County Rebels, a team who the night before defeated the heavily favored number-one ranked Falcon Falcons. After falling behind by 10 points at the half, the Maroons turned up the intensity level and came back,

thrilling the 10,000 fans at McNichols Arena. With seven seconds left in the final game, Senior Ed Tolsma stole the ball, drove the length of the court and attempted a three point goal that could have tied the game, but it came up two inches short. The Maroons fouled a Rebel player and lost their bid 61-56 to become the first Alamosa team to win the title since 1939.

"All the hard work that we put in during the summer and season paid off," said second year head coach Ken Niven, who has guided the Maroons in back-to-back tournament trips and has compiled a 41-7 record. "We got our just reward and I am so proud of these kids."

On top of the great year there was also many individual awards given to the state's second best AA team. Stand-out Brad Widhalm was All-Conference and All-Tourney. Sophomore dunker Ben Caton was All-Conference. Seniors

Andy Zanski, Ed Tolsma and John Phillips were All-Conference as well as being chosen to play in the All-Valley All-Star game for seniors.

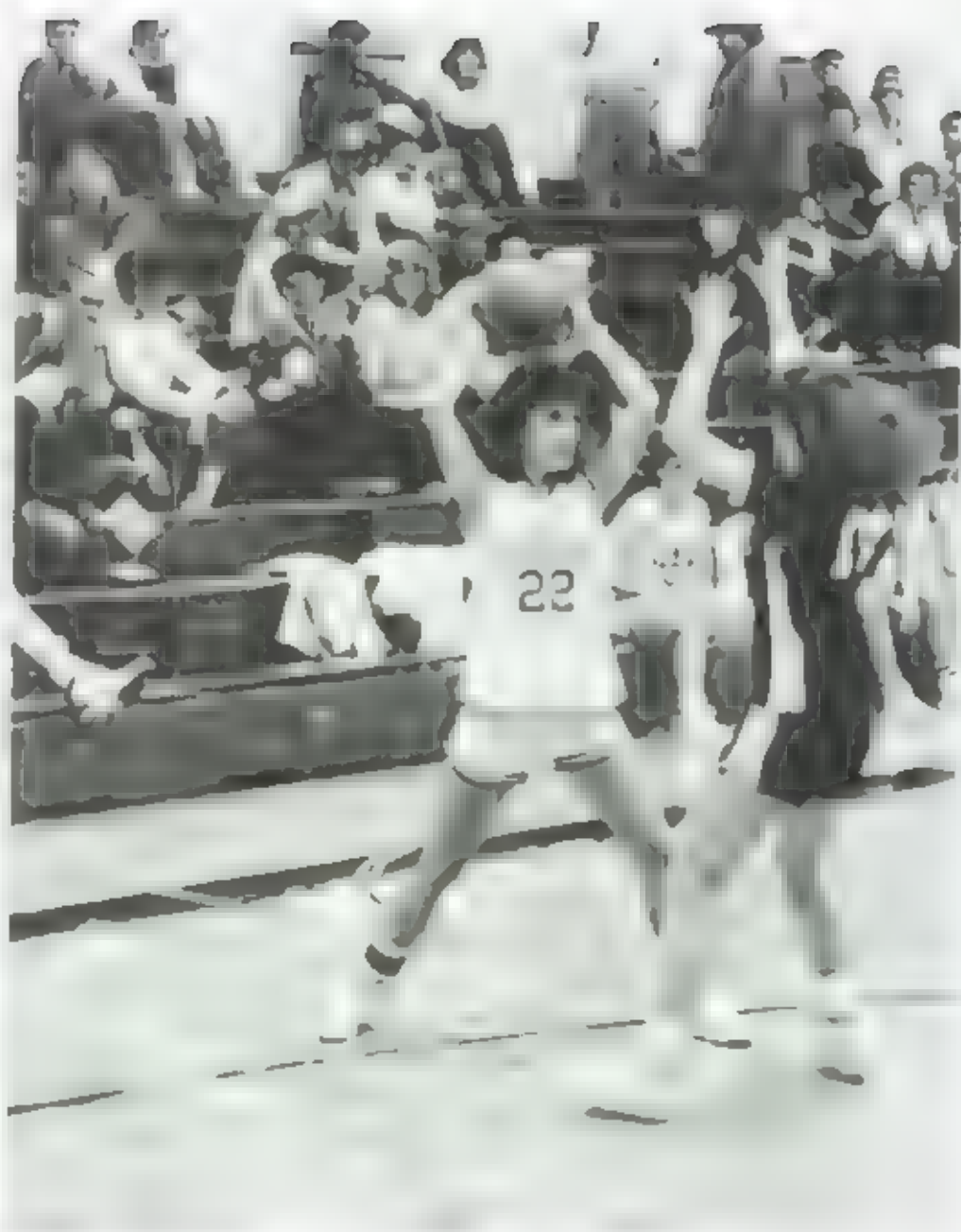
"All in all it was a very good year for us. We practiced hard throughout the course of the year and during the summer," said John Phillips.

"I feel that the season went very well and we accomplished all our goals except the biggest one," said Ernie Wooten, a key reserve in the Maroons' success.

**"I am
so proud
of these kids"
- Coach Ken Niven**

WATCHING FOR AN OPEN TEAMMATE, Cheri Simpson is guarded heavily by a Pagosa Springs player. Simpson, a sophomore, gained honorable mention for all-conference for her year's efforts.

JULIA HENSLEY SHOTS FOR TWO and is fouled by Centauri's Tami Archuleta. Cheri Simpson comes from behind to help out.



YOUNG, DETERMINED SQUAD finishes third in IML rankings

It was a banner year in sports for AHS, and the girls' basketball team was no exception, as they finished the year with an impressive 12 win, 8 loss record.

The young but determined squad finished second in league, and with this accomplishment

the Maroons faced the number seven team in the league, Monte Vista. A win over the Pirates in the sub-district quarter finals set up yet another battle with the rival Centauri Falcons. The Lady Maroons had defeated the Falcons both times in league play, but knew that the Falcons would only use those wins as inspirational factors. The girls fought a hard battle, but the Falcons crushed the Ladies hopes of a district berth by defeating the Maroons.

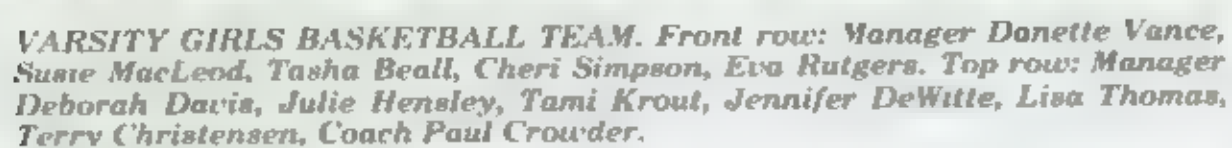
Senior Tami Krout led the team with an impressive 21.5 points-per-game average. Sophomore Terry Christensen also proved to be a vital contributor with a 10.5 scoring average. The team consisted of four seniors, one junior, and five sophomores.

"I felt the year went real well," stated Terry Christensen. "I am excited to see how next year will go." Krout summed up the feeling the seniors had when she stated, "Even though we had a young, inexperienced team, I thought that the year went well, even though it didn't turn out the way I wanted it to, we had fun."

"Even though we were real young this year I felt we did an outstanding job and improved a lot," commented coach Paul Crowder. "We came a long way this year and are striving for the future teams."

Krout led all-conference players with the most votes for the all-conference honor. Honorable mention honors were received by Christensen and Cheri Simpson, both sophomores.

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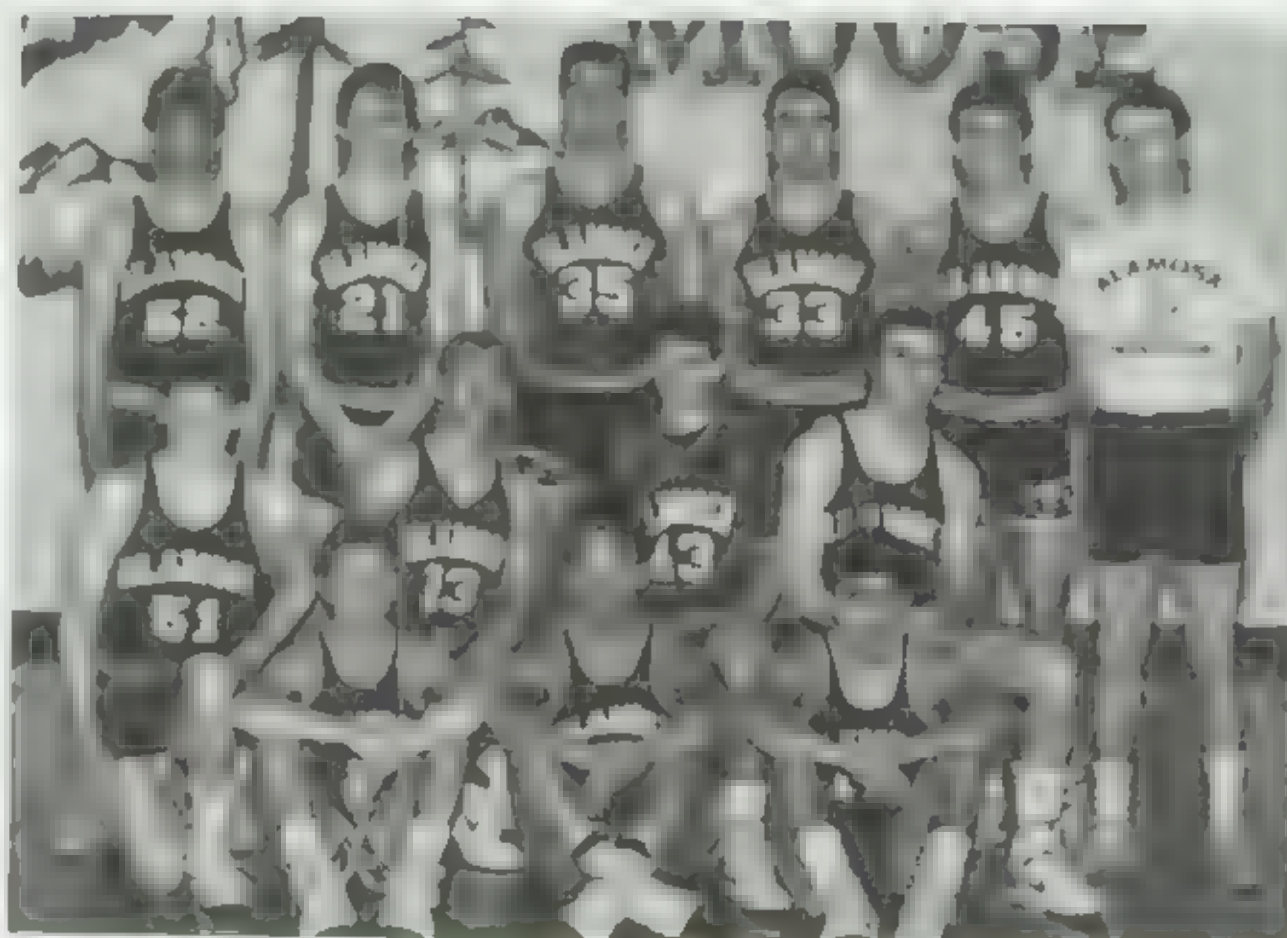
DODGING A PAGOSA SPRINGS PLAYER. Tami Krout drives for the basket. Krout led the team with 21.5 points per game.

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Lamar	17
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Sparks	22
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Buena Vista	
SEASON RECORD	
Won 10, Lost 5	



JUNIOR VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM Front row—April Yohn, Debbie Mose, Tonya Souza. Top row—Coach Paul Crowder, Breta Berwig, Ingrid Hermanson, Shelly Luster, Lee Ann Alsbaugh, Lynn Holt, Coach Chris Ruybal

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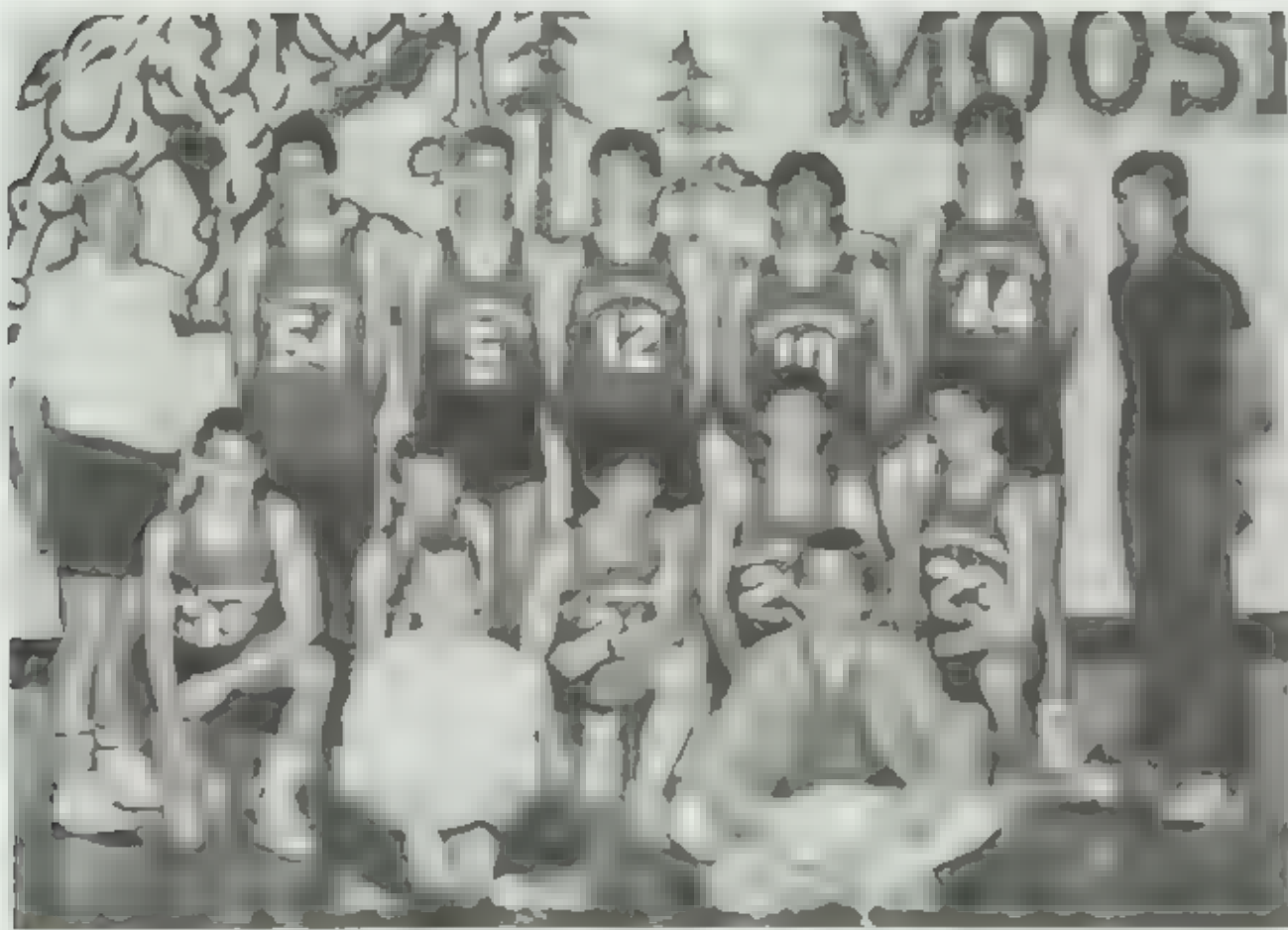
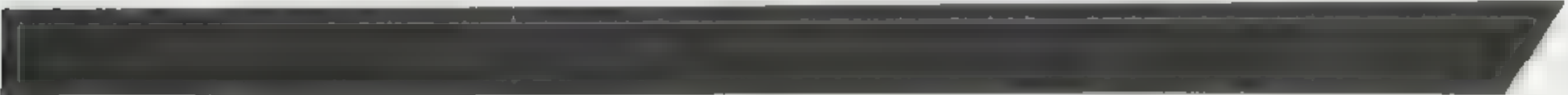


JUNIOR VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM. Front row: Richard Yohn, Kenzo Kau anabe, Robbie Rael. Row two: Paul Holland, Sloan Henderson, Ryan Jackson, Rod Siller. Top row: Steve Claxton, Andy Bateman, Joe Kelloff, Wally Herrera, Kevin Jones and Coach Larry Mortensen.



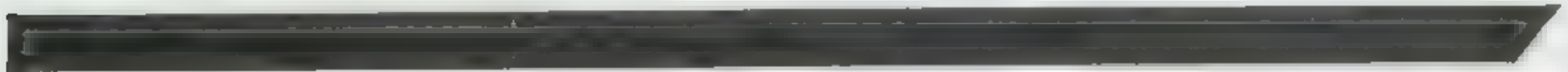
FRESHMAN GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM. Front row: Manager Laurie Terpstra, Loretta Martinez, Kristi Romero, Mindy Simmons, Melissa Wooten, Kerri Hogan, Manager Laurie Meyer. Top row: April Yohn, Coach Jim Lillpop, Sara Dunn, Andrea Rahn, Michelle Gaye, Tracey Lillpop, Gretchen Wagner, Tonya Souza, Coach Paul Crowder, Breta Bervig.

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FRESHMAN BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM Front row: Darius Senkus, Be Cook. Row 2: Bryce Bervig, Steve Johnson, Richard Ono, Matt Schneider, Adrian Arnold. Row 3: Coach Earl Steers, Robert Hain, Randy Jackson, Paul Holland, Chris Montoya, Kash Kelloff, Carlos Lopez.

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GOLF TEAM Coach Jack Kitterman, Amy Taylor, Robby Rudder, Randy Draves, Max Ewing, Jason Rahn, Darren Rahn, Kris Liddell, Kenzo Kawanabe, Bryce Bervig, Andrea Rahn.

PREPARING FOR A SHOT, Robby Rudder concentrates at practice.

INEXPERIENCE HURTS golf ambitions

One major injury plagued the golf team's rebuilding year. Amy

Taylor, top junior player, was out all season with an injured rotator cup. No seniors were on the team, but five juniors, three sophomores, and two freshmen made up the inexperienced group.



Even though they had a disappointing year, they took third at districts in Raton, NM, and took four golfers to state. According to Coach Jack Kitterman, freshman Bryce Bervig showed the most promise.

"We didn't have the best year, but we plan to do better with the experience we gained this year," commented Bryce Bervig.



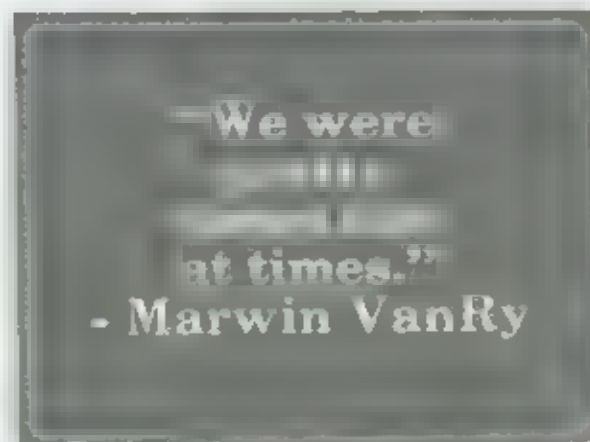
NEVER A DULL MOMENT: intramural teams play for fun

Intramural basketball was explosive this 1987-88 season. With five games that consisted of players ranging from teachers to ex-wrestlers to ISS inmates, there was never a dull moment on the court.

"I think everyone was there for a good time and even though we were all pretty obnoxious at times, it was a lot of fun," said

Marwin VanRy, Thrasher's Extrordinaire.

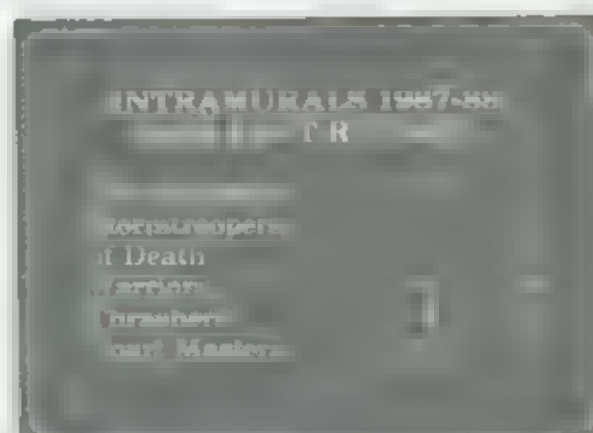
"All in all, everyone had a good time and maybe even learned a little something about sportsmanship and the game of basketball," commented sponsors Mr. Tom Medina and Mr. Dale Otto, who organized and directed the program



THRASHERS (below): Craig Terpstra, Mitch Wagner, Roman Martinez, Marwin VanRy, Darren Mizokami, Travis Heersink, Kevin McHugh. Not pictured: Paul Duarte.

WARRIORS: Diego Rael, David Garcia, Shawn "Carp" Medina, Dean Gallardo. Not pictured: Robert Espinoza, Scott Garcia, Melvin DeHerrera.

COURT MASTERS: Wes Carter, Shawn Rubidoux. Not pictured Sam Molina, Steve Marquez, Anthony Quintana, Steve Vigil.



VARSITY WRESTLING TEAM. Front row: Coach Dave Weldon, Teddy Archuleta, Jim Plane, Leo Ramirez, Dominic Lopez, Pat Maez, Alex Lopez, Coach Gary Ramstetter. Top row: Eric Hotz, David Bateman, Mike Quintana, Gary Martin, Casey Gibbs, Justin Hensley, Mike Lopez, Coach Manny Wasinger.



	Opponent
Walsenburg	Y
Pueblo	Y
Walsenburg	Y
Warrior Classic	Y
Trinidad	Y
Walsenburg	Y
Johnson County	Y
Fourney	Y
Monte Vista	Y
Brighton	Y
Centaur	Y
Lake County	Y
District of Lake County	Y
State	Y



FORCING HIS MONTE VISTA opponent to a pin, Pat Maez finishes the season as district champion

HEAVYWEIGHT DAVID BATEMAN moves in for the kill at the Monte Vista meet



WRESTLERS: STATE CHAMPIONS

for the first time in AHS history

State Champions! Those words will be on the lips of many as they recollect the 1987-88 wrestling season.

The team moved through the regular season making only a small dent in their otherwise perfect record, a disappointing but motivating loss to Trinidad. "This loss helped in many ways. It gave us back reality, because for a long time we thought we were the best, and after that we had to prove it," stated 98-pounder Alex Lopez.

Being the best took dedication and hard work. Once the team went through two-a-days for two weeks, the team was ready mentally and physically for districts. The score showed just what the wrestlers were after:

Winning the districts by a record number of 219 points, with the next closest score a dismal 121 points by Salda.

After winning both the IML and their fifth consecutive district title, the team went out to accomplish high school's greatest goal, becoming high school state champions as a team. With nine district champions competing, the team started in first and never let up.

Individually, the team fared extremely well with one state champion, Alex Lopez (98), and one state runner-up, David Bateman (Hwt.), and four others placed in the top six. Teddy Archuleta (132) and Justin Hensley (145) both ended up on the strong side of the bracket and

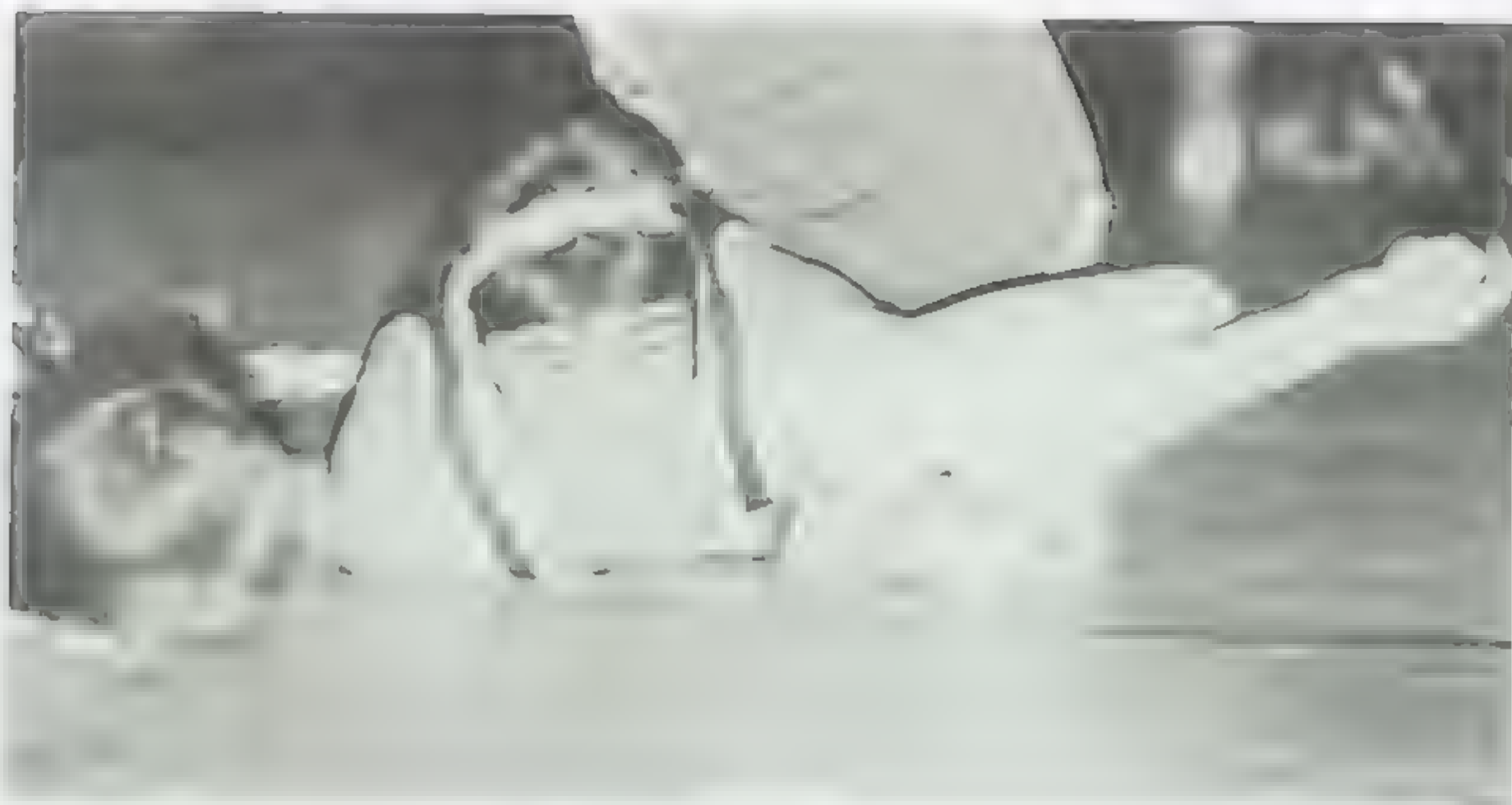
ended with a third place. Dominic Lopez (112), Casey Gibbs (155), and Mike Lopez (138), went through troubled times, yet ended the weekend with fifth place in their hands.

Senior Alex Lopez was chosen all-state by coaches' vote. He wrestled in the all-state match in June.

**"This loss
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reality."
- Alex Lopez**



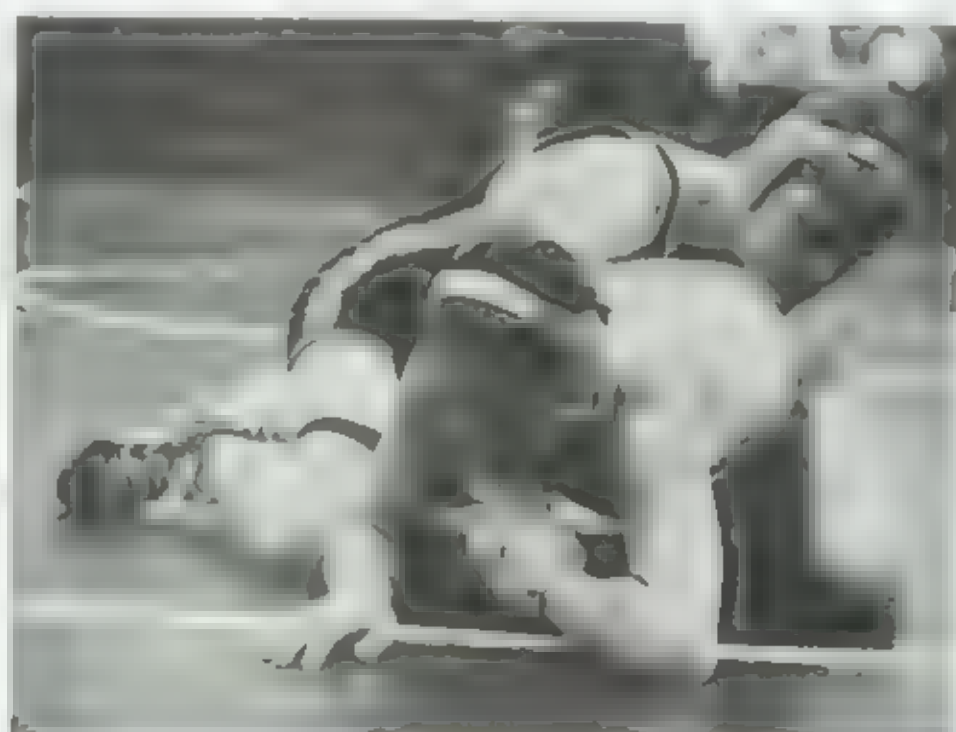
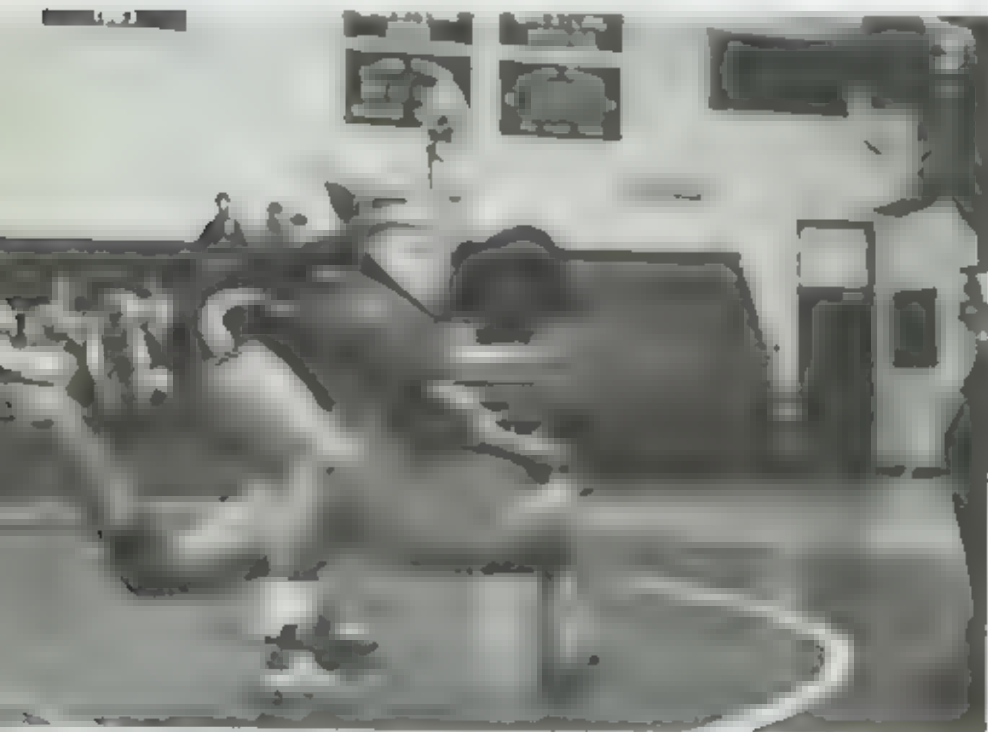
ON A ROLL toward his state championship status, Alex Lopez works over a Monte Vista opponent at districts, where he was also champion.



AWAITING THE END OF A MATCH Dominic Lopez looks toward the clock. Lopez finished the year fifth place at state.

KEEPING HIS OPPONENT up in the air, Teddy Archuleta tries to whip him over to his back. The district champion senior took a third at state.

MIKE LOPEZ CONTROLS his Lake County opponent to become a district champion. The 138-pound sophomore concluded the season impressively with a fifth at state.



JUNIOR SQUAD MEMBERS keep up with rival 'big boys'

Wrestling required many hours of practice. To be exceptional, wrestlers needed to practice with capable partners. Junior varsity wrestlers helped the varsity team to win the state tournament by

wrestling hard and giving them tough competition at practices and keeping morale high.

In return, the JV team took some impressive victories throughout the year and even

showed several Varsity A teams how good they really were by defeating them.

"The team gained experience and showed great potential for coming years," stated Coach Gary Ramstetter.



JUNIOR VARSITY, FRESHMAN WRESTLING TEAMS. Front row: K.C. Calder, Mike Maestas, Eddie Valdez. Row 2: Ray Casias, Aaron Woodke, Arlo VanRy, Max Duran, Tim Hillis. Top row: Coach Dave Weldon, Justin Redding, Gabriel Gardunio, Josh Bloom, Mark Jones, Corey DeHerrera, Billy Gonzales, Alex Mondragon, Coach Gary Ramstetter.



JR. VARSITY, FRESHMAN WRESTLING SCOREBOARD	
	Opponent
Walsenburg	_____
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Lakewood Country	_____
Greene River	_____
Pueblo South Theater	_____
Monte Vista	_____
Centennial Sun Belt	_____
Centauri	_____
Arroyo	_____
Sanford	_____
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Antelope	_____
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FOUR-TIME DISTRICT CHAMP Casey Gibbs checks out his Rocky Ford opponent who is forced to observe the lights. Gibbs went on to take fifth at state.



COACH OF THE YEAR Gary Ramstetter accepts the first-place trophy for AHS. It was the first time AHS wrestlers took first.

JUSTIN HENSLEY struggles with an unidentified state-level opponent, where he placed.



GIRLS TRACK. FRONT ROW: Coach Larry Zaragoza, Coach Denise Falazone, Machel Kooiman, Michelle Masiel, Loretta Martinez, Sandra Gutierrez, Meadow Stagner, Paquita Salazar, Brenda Medina, Naomi Vasquez, Sumi Fujii. **MIDDLE ROW:** Darleen Mancuso, Alysia Martinez, Michelle Mestas, Ximena Gonzales, Mary Mercer, Lora Acila, Cyndi Melonas, Jamie Kepley, Tiina Baiza, Regina Quintana, Natalie Iness. **BACK ROW:** Assistant Coach Tom Johnson, Laura Schreiber, April Kooiman, Lisa Herrera, Lori Terptrak, Kerri Hogan, Deanne Motz, April Yohn, Julie Hensley, Tami Krout, Terry Christensen, Breta Rereig, Lynda Caldwell, Raquel Lopez, Anna Franco, and Rich Quitman

GONZALES BREAKS FOUR RECORDS to pace girls' track competition



"The season, overall, was great," said Coach Larry Zaragoza, although the team was a very young one, with the majority of the team underclassmen and students trying track for the first year. Coach Zaragoza said because it was a young team, it was an experience of a lifetime to see the younger kids' skills increase from week to week. Many tracksters set personal records during the year and a few set school and state records.

Coach Zaragoza said, "The way the team stood out against other AAA teams was amazing. Every person made me proud for doing the best they could."

Senior Ximena Gonzales, one of the key people on the team, achieved five individual records

and three relay records. The team was IML champion and took second in state.

As state rolled around, 15 girls accomplished their goal of making state competition. Zaragoza commented on how tough it was for everyone at state. "No matter how things turned out, I was proud of everyone for trying."

The girls came in a proud second in the AA State Track Meet by placing second in the 400 meter relay and third in the 800 meter medley. Ximena Gonzales came in first in the 100, 200 and 400 meter dashes, and April Yohn came in second in the 100 and 200 meter dashes.

Gonzales also achieved the state record for the 400 dash, beating her own state record set last year.

Sophomore April Kooiman said, "The season was really great. We all had fun, but we also had goals to meet. We did the best we could, but next year, we'll do even better."

APRIL KOOIMAN HEAVES THE SHOT at the Alamosa Relays track meet where she set a personal record of 28.4 that day.



GIRLS TRACK CORP	
Centauri 9 & 10	---
Alamosa Varsity	---
Davis McKinley Memorial	---
Palisade Home Invitational	---
Monte Vista 9 & 10	---
Harrison Panther Relays	---
Salida 9 & 10	---
Robert Invitational	---
IML District Track Meet	---
State Track Meet	---

A STEP AHEAD. April Yohn crosses the finish line for first place in the Alamosa Relays.

KEEPING THE PACE. Laura Shriber runs the long two miles in Salida.



UP AND OVER. Michelle Mentas heads for the finish line with Loretta Martinez just a little behind her at the Alamosa Relays.

STRETCHING TO GO just a little bit farther, Ximena Gonzales long jumps at the Alamosa Relays.

JOYS TRACK SCOREBOARD	
Century 2 1st	
Alamosa Varsity 1st	
Alamosa Relay 1st	
David McKinley Memorial 1st	
Val Verde Lions Invitational 1st	
Monte Vista 2 & 10th	
Harrison Panther Relays 1st	
Salida 2 & 10th	
Bobcat Invitational 4th	
Collegiate Peaks Invitational 1st	
Canon City Invitational 1st	
MI District Track Meet 7th	
Track Meet - No Points	



SENIOR KEVIN MCHUGH strides for the tape at the Bobcat Invitational, while Shawn Medina (right) gives it his best at the same meet.

IN THE 4 X 100 medley relay, David Garcia goes hard around a corner.



SOPHOMORE WALLY HERRERA gives his best shot at the Bobcat Invitational

FINISHING STRONG, freshman Toby Campbell races with the baton at the Bobcat Invitational.





BOYS TRACK. FRONT ROW: Coach Denise Falazone, John Moeny, Adrian Arnold, Aaron Woodke, Brad Lawrence, Toby Campbell, John Dodds, Brent Burns, Darius Senkus, Manager Tuna Baiza. **MIDDLE ROW:** Manager Natalie Iness, Matt Snyder, Norman Breth, Mike Sanchez, Sam Valdez, Sloan Henderson, Wes Carter, Kenzo Kawanabe, Rod Madrid, K. C. Calder, Bryce Berug, Bill McLemore, Coach Rich Quitman. **BACK ROW:** Coach Dennis Shoenfelder, Robert Hain, Kash Kelloff, Shawn Cody, Dale Bateman, Todd Davis, Shawn Medina, Dale Garcia, Eugenio Quintana, Coach Larry Zaragoza, Manager Regina Quintana, and Coach Ava Franco

REBUILDING YEAR establishes boys' potential

"We were a young and inexperienced team this year, with a lot of freshmen and sophomores on varsity. I think we did all right, considering we were running mostly against seniors. We're going to surprise a lot of people in a couple of years," said freshman Toby Campbell.

The team started out strong after the freshmen and sophomores took first at their first meet, but the upperclassmen

just couldn't keep pace.

The team managed a fifth at districts and ended up taking 12 boys to state, who earned the name of "The Dirty Dozen." The dozen did little or no damage, however, because they accumulated no points at state.

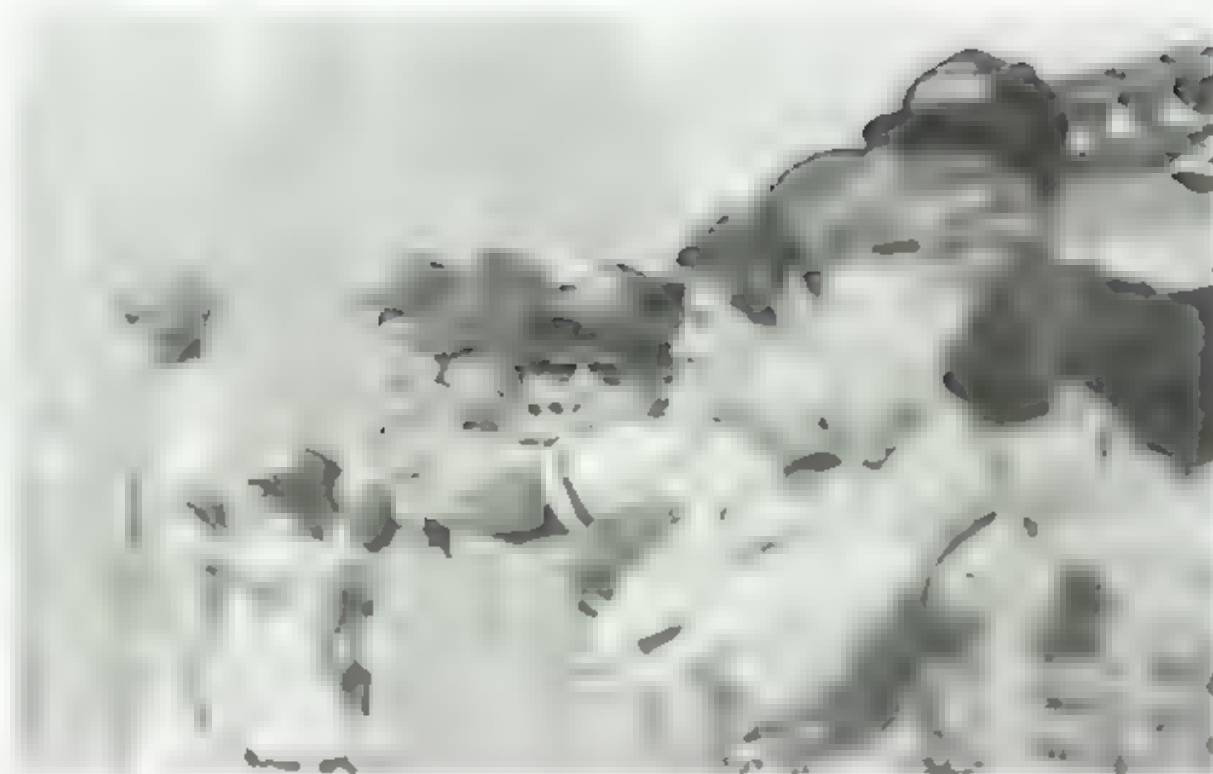
"Track was a lot of fun. From the 'Dirty Dozen' to the hurdle crew, everyone was one team that supported each other," said sophomore Kenzo Kawanabe.



BRENT BURNS TAKES THE TURN at the Alamosa Invitational, while Todd Davis (above right) throws the discus at the same meet. Sloan Henderson (right) gets some air as he clears the bar in Alamosa.



VARSITY BASEBALL SCOREBOARD	
	Opponent
1	Wentworth
2	Valsenbury
3	Center
4	Parsons Springs
5	Center
6	Center
7	Centaur
8	Centaur
9	Gunnison
10	Gunnison
11	Parsons Springs
12	Gunnison
13	Gunnison
14	Monte Vista
15	Monte Vista
STATE PLAYOFFS	



MOST OF THE BASEBALL TEAM looks over the fence waiting for action to begin. Photographer Dave Novak did not provide a team picture by deadline time.

THE MAROONS prepare for another sweet victory en route to state playoffs.



"RUNNIN' IT OUT" proves beneficial for Andy Zanski, as he reaches base on an infield hit.

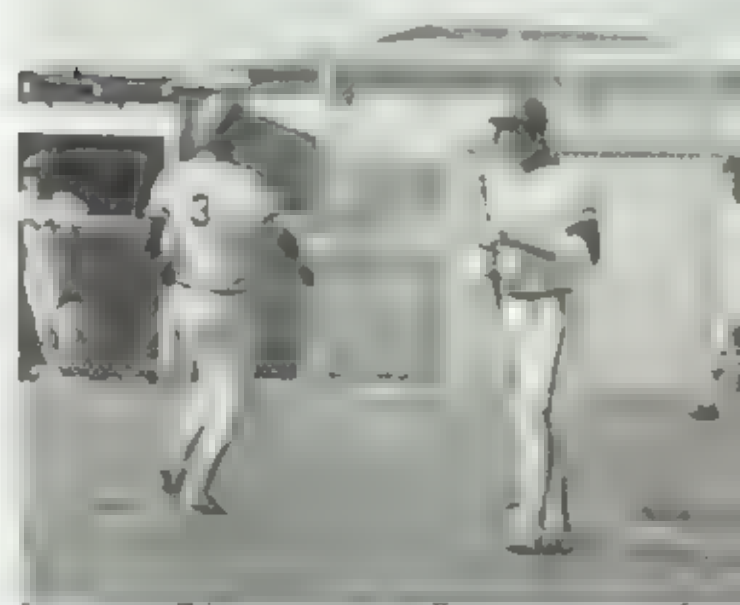
BRAD WIDHALM PREPARES to throw another strike in his no-hitter against Centauri.





SOPHOMORE STANDOUT Kevin Jones trots home to score another run for the Maroon entourage. Casey Gibbs wonders if he will get a hit, too.

LEADING OFF, Casey Gibbs is awaiting the opportunity to steal second in a game with the Centauri Falcons.



LEAGUE DOMINATION

Diamondmen are tops fourth straight year

For the fourth consecutive year the baseball team cruised to the league championship. Under the direction of first year head coach Larry Mortensen, the Maroons swept both Centauri and Monte Vista to enter the first round regionals of the state baseball tournament. The Maroons, being a young but experienced team, played with everything they had and came out of the starting gates fired up, scoring three runs in the bottom of the first inning and held a three-two lead until the fourth inning. Being down six-three did not make the Maroons give up as they held the Meloneers in the sixth and

seventh innings. The comeback fell short as the Mighty Moose was only able to muster up two runs in the final two innings to end their season once again by one run, 6-5.

"This was a year that everybody thought was a rebuilding year. The kids rose to the occasion time after time to make this a memorable season," said head coach Larry Mortensen. "I couldn't be more pleased with the effort that the kids put out over the course of the year."

Although the Maroons lost the final round game, they silenced the rest of the Valley by defeating rival Monte Vista, as the

defending champs ten-runned the contenders in both games 15-5 and 15-2.

The diamondmen finished out the year where all the other sports at Alamosa High did: on top of the league standings.

"The kids rose to the occasion time after time..."
- Coach Larry Mortensen

**ACTIVITY DIRECTOR'S STAFF
RECOGNITION AWARD**

Bob Jones

**ACTIVITY DIRECTOR'S COMMUNITY
VOLUNTEER AWARD**

Ric Cline

MANCHESTER AWARD IN ACADEMIC ATHLETIC

John Phillips

**JOHN SHELTON OUTSTANDING
LINEMAN AWARD**

David Bateman and John Phillips

SPEED OF THE YEAR AWARD

David Bateman and Ximena Gonzales

OUTSTANDING SENIOR FEMALE ATHLETE

Tami Krout

OUTSTANDING SENIOR MALE ATHLETE

Justin Hensley

OUTSTANDING FRESHMAN ATHLETES

April Yohn and Justin Redding

OUTSTANDING STUDENT SUPPORTER

Marwin VanRy

**ACTIVITY DIRECTOR'S AWARDS FOR
OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION**

VanIwaarden Builders

LINE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Justin Hensley

MOST VALUABLE AWARDS

Football - Justin Hensley

Volleyball - Tami Krout and Tracey Dunn

Boys' Basketball - Brad Widhalm, Ben Caton

Girls' Basketball - Tami Krout

Boys' Track - Kevin McHugh

Girls' Track - Allison Hensley

Not named in other sports.

OUTSTANDING SENIOR ATHLETES, Justin Henaley and Tami Krout, wait for their plaques at the Awards Assembly.

"SPUD" ORR HONOREES, David Bateman and Ximena Gonzales, shake hands on their success.

ACADEMIC ATHLETE, John Phillips, in the top ten of his class, wins the coveted Manchester Award.



Please
Don't Erase...

"I'VE DONE MY LIBRARY work for the day," sighs
Jasmine Irvine





STEPHANIE JOHNSON has a birdseye view of Homecoming activities as she keeps score for the dominant seniors.

STRICKEN BY SENIORITIS, seniors Kevin McHugh, Lisa Lingaas, and Cyndi Melonas attempt to ward off the dreaded symptoms by resting in the commons.

Senioritis: What is it?

Senioritis is a condition that has to do with seniors and personalities that shaped them. It is said to have made up the student's identities.

Not one person seemed to understand another. Students, and totally, had only one thing in common: they attended the same school.

Our Identities



MR. RONALD HUNTER, PRINCIPAL; Mr. Arnold Gallegos, vice-principal; and Mr. Dennis Lopez, activities director; lead the staff and help plan programs and extra-curricular activities.

Turnover of twenty percent changes faculty of 1987-88

For the administration, a big change came in December 1987 when Superintendent Richard Johnston took medical retirement. At that time Assistant Superintendent John Canty took charge while the RE-11J Board did a national search for a new superintendent.

At the local scene, over 20 percent of the faculty was new. Two of these faculty members had doctorate degrees, a factor not seen in at least the last 20 years. New faculty brought innovative teaching skills and ideas from a wide variety of college backgrounds.

The administration planned to fight drug possession with drug sniffing dogs, a fact noted in *U.S.A. Today*, but had not been implemented by March.

Assistant Principal Arnold Gallegos organized an academic booster group. "I think honor roll students deserve more attention," Gallegos said.

There were no new programs this year, though a seven-period day was planned for 1988-89.





Kerry Adams, Science
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 Dale Barron, English
 Larry Basky, Art
 Jan Baum, Choir
 Leroy Baum, Band



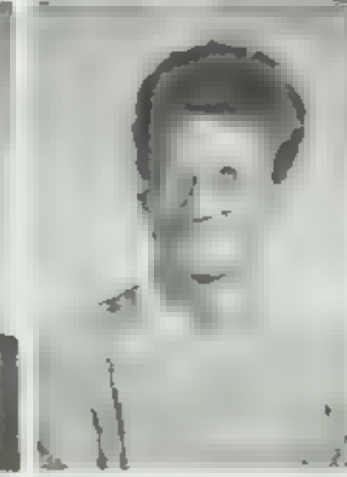
Mary Botsford, Library Aide
 Judith Cochran, English
 Paul Crowder, Physical Education,
 Girls Basketball Coach
 Kathy Crowder, Home Economics
 Pat Dunn, English, NHS Sponsor
 Sara Espinoza, Occupational
 Development



Holly Felmlee, Social Studies
 Cleo Gallardo, Kitchen Staff
 Adolf Gallegos, Counselor
 Terry Gantvoort, Occupational
 Development
 Larry Gardner, Mathematics,
 Key Club, Knowledge Bowl
 Phyllis Goetsch, Business,
 FBLA Sponsor



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 Student Council Sponsor
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 FBLA Sponsor
 Alexander Hill, Mathematics
 Glen Hodges, Mathematics
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Leonard King, Social Studies
 Nancy Kitterman, Business,
 FBLA Sponsor
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 first semester
 Barbara Kruse, Science, Science
 Club Sponsor
 Mike Kuhne, English, Forensics
 Sponsor, Volleyball Coach
 Meliton Lopez, Custodian



MR. PAUL STERK RELAXES during his planning period to discuss his duties as a school board member. Sterk is the first Alamosa teacher to become a board member.

Social studies teacher becomes RE-11J board member

"I've learned about democracy. In class I'm a dictator. It was interesting to feel the democratic process and experience the need to compromise," laughed Mr. Paul Sterk, AHS social studies teacher who also is an RE-11J school board member, elected in 1987.

Sterk was the first working teacher to be elected to the local school board. He says he met no resistance from the Administration, though in Walsenburg, a teacher had to fight all the way to the state supreme court for the right to run. Some there believed that it was a conflict of interest for a teacher to vote on matters concerning himself and other teachers.

"The hardest part of the board job is getting teachers and citizens to use the chain of command to get something done rather than coming to me with a grievance," Sterk commented. "Also, I find that sometimes I'm a step ahead because I understand the learning process. After all, I'm around it everyday."





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Herman Martinez, Spanish,
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Cheerleading Sponsor



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Basketball Coach
Dale Otto, Alternative
Judy Prins, Kitchen Staff
Chris Ruybal, Science,
JV Basketball Coach
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Grace Stephens, Kitchen Staff
Paul Sterk, Social Studies, RE-11J
School Board
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Janice Watkins, English, *Alamosan*,
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Breia Bervig
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Loren Broyles
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Toby Campbell
Melanie Carrero
Ray Canino
Abel Chacon
Chris Chacon
Marie Chacon
Ezequiel Chavez
Jose Chavez
Ramona Lobos

Bherry Cole
Camille Cook
Lisa Cooper
Mark Cordova
Renec Cordova
Danny Cruz
Rosemary Cruz
Nancy Cutler
Steve DeHerrera
Ralph DeLuna
John Dodds

Randy Draves
Sara Dunn
Dominic Duran
Max Duran
Christina Dwonczyk
Paul Espinoza
Buck Filer
Rita Forcier
Holly Fox
Jennifer Frink

Sam Fajil
Diana Gallegos
Jessica Gallegos
Tanya Gallegos
Bobby Garcia
Kendace Garcia
Nick Garcia
Raymond Gardner
Michelle Gay
Scott Geiser
Tammy Gibson

Billy Gonzales
Bobby Gonzales
Michelle Goudge
Michael Griego
Dalia Guerra
Lucinda Gutierrez
Sandra Gutierrez
Robert Hain
Jason Hanson
Jennifer Hatch
Christa Hendricks

Lisa Herrera
Shileen High
Kerri Hugan
Anthony Holland
Paul Holland
Janet Honeycutt
Tabitha Howe
Susanne Hudson
Diana Hunter
Anthony Ibanez
Ruth Ingraham

Heidi Jackson
Randy Jackson
Perry Jehlicka
Steve Johnson
Kash Keshoff
Jon Kelly
Joy Kingery
Stephanie Lagergren
Michelle Lanier
Brad Lawrence
Tracy Lallpop





Biggest class is 206 strong

Being the biggest AHS class in recent history did not keep the Class of 1991 from suffering at the bottom of the heap. The 206-member class, according to faculty, was not as obnoxious as most freshmen classes have been in the past. They absorbed the usual hassle from upperclassmen with dignity.

"It was hard starting out as freshmen, being the new people in school and all, but I think we have a lot of good things going for us," said class secretary Gretchen Wagner. The class held several successful soc-hops and helped to put on Homecoming.

FRESHMEN OFFICERS. Front row: Ellie Jo Rael, representative; Chris Montoya, president. Top row: Gretchen Wagner, secretary; Josh Bloom, vice-president; Toby Campbell, treasurer.





EVENING SOCIAL LIFE appeals to freshmen who only had daytime dances at Ortega Middle School. April Yohn, Jennifer Hatch and many others boogie at one of the many sock hops put on by the freshmen.

Evening dances please newcomers

A new-found social life appealed to freshmen. Dances and other evening activities captured the attention of many of the class, and joining various activities which were unavailable before was appealing, too.

As a class, they hosted several dances and decorated the commons area creatively.

Even taking flack from the upperclassmen was more fun when the class could do it at school activities.





Danielle Lattle
Camille Lopez
Carlos Lopez
Leroy Lopez
Nick Lopez
Raquel Lopez
Toni Lopez
Abby Lopez
Christina Lucero
Shannon Lucero
Joe Lujan

Tisha Lujan
David Madril
Michael Mestas
Darleen Mancuso
Donna Martinez
Gilbert Martinez
Loretta Martinez
Marcus Martinez
Matthew Martinez
Paula Martinez
Shanecadin Martinez

Karl Mascareñas
Christina McDonald
Maureen McHugh
Bernice Medina
Matt Medina
Michael Medina
Donna Mendoza
Danielle Mestas
Laurie Meyer
John Moeny
Chris Montoya

Jackie Mozetti
Rich Naranjo
Robin Lee Noe
Yuki Oba
Vicki R. Olson
Richard Ono
Corina Ortega
Cristie Ortega
Blaine Parish
Jason Pato
Ivan Quintana

Elly Rael
Theresa Rael
Andrea Rahn
Justin Redding
Darren Rinestone
Delores Roach
Phyllis Roach
Kristi Romero
David Rossales
Jason Rose
Bethany Salazar

Gina Salazar
Paquita Salazar
Steven Salazar
Chris Sanchez
Michelle Sandoval
Traci Sandoval
Tara Schofield
Jamie Seese
Denise Segura
Nicol Segura
Danna Senkus

Lottia Shaffer
Nikki Shaffer
Mendy Simmons
Dave Sinneros
Janny Skinner
Peggy Smith
Matthew David Snyder
Tonya Souza
Robin Stagner
Lara Suarez
Mark Teckenbrock

Laurie Terpetra
Jocelyn Trujillo
Tanya Trujillo
Josette Urioste
Eddie Valdez
Cory Vance
Eric VanGieson
Laura VanHelden
Arlo Vanky
Mark Velazquez
Gretchen Wagner

Jim Ward
 Moriah Weeks
 Teresa Wheeler
 Aaron Woodke
 Melissa Wooten
 Cyndie Wright
 April Yahn
 Trevor Zimmerman



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 Karla Aragon
 Amos Atencio
 Brandon Atencio
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 Darrell Beiriger
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 Darrel Butcher
 Frances Calf
 Naomi Campos
 Ben Caton
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 Christine Chacon
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 Jo Dee Clark
 Steve Clayton
 Jennifer Cook
 Tommy Collins
 Cameron Cook
 Blair Corning
 Kristi Cortez
 Amy Crawford
 Deborah Davis
 Lynn Davis



Troy Davis
 Tanya Deep
 Quanna DePrest
 Wendy Duarte
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 Chris Keeton
 Joe Kellioff
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 Bryan Kure
 Tanner Kure
 Paul Kure





Sophomores excel; get to know 'system'

The Class of 1990 rose to the second rung of the ladder in their high school career and earned the respect of fellow classmates. Joe Kelloff of the sophomore class commented, "We have almost a thousand dollars and we plan to do a lot over the next couple of years to raise money for the Prom of 1989."

Academics and athletics went hand in hand as this class produced numerous scholar athletes.

SOPHOMORE OFFICERS. *Front row: Kenzo Kawanabe, treasurer; Blair Corning, secretary. Top row: Joe Kelloff, representative; Sloan Henderson, president; Steve Clayton, vice-president.*





"I'M REALLY BAD," Sam Valdez smiles. Enjoying the Halloween costumes and the dancing, Naomi Vasquez and Dean Lee share the enthusiasm.

Costumes of all kinds appear at fall dance

The sophomore-sponsored Halloween Dance drew students wearing every kind of costume. Using their creative imaginations, the sophomores came up with their share of unique costumes.

Punk rockers, ghosts and goblins, witches, and males dressed as women were among the costumes.

Money earned from the dance went to the class treasury to be used for projects such as Prom during the junior year.





Joseph Large
Dean Lee
Samantha Lee
Charles Lewis
Chad Liddell
Kris Liddell
Dominic Lopez
Mike Lopez
Randy Lopez
Jason Lovato
Shelly Luster

Susie MacLeod
Rosalee Maestas
Ferris Malouff
Dan Markus
Gary Martin
Aaron Martinez
Darren Martinez
Roberta Martinez
Rosa Martinez
Jimmy Mascarenas
Katherine Meder

Brenda Medina
Yvette Medina
Lori Mena
Mary Mercer
Alex Mondragon
Deanna Mora
Debbie Moye
Charlie Naranjo
Donna Nile
William Olivas
Spencer Perdue

Nadra Perkins
Jim Plane
Anthony Quintana
Linda Quintana
Michael Quintana
Regina Quintana
Leonardo Ramirez
Mario Rosales
Susan Rosales
David Rosenberg
Karen Rubidoux

Eva Rutgers
Bryan Sanchez
Jennifer Seear
Kerri Showalter
Laura Shriber
Jennifer Silva
Rod Silver
Cheri Simpson
Leland Smith
Peggy Smith
Lori Smithour

Bryce Snider
Meadow Stagner
Dawn Stevens
Sean Studer
William Talley
Cherri Townsend
Joe Trujillo
Joe Turpin
Sam Vander
Perry Valentine
Kara VanGieson

Crystal VanIwaarden
Naomi Vazquez
Denise Vigil
Ray Vigil
Greg Ward
Michelle White
Justin Wilcox
David Wilder
Heather Williams
Thomas Worland
Todd Wright

Thomas Wyatt
Julie Wynis
Richard Yohn

Sandra Abeyta
Delbia Anthony
 Amy Archuleta
Tracy Archuleta
 Jeremy Arellano
 Michael Armijo
 Lucille Avila
Tina Marie Baiza
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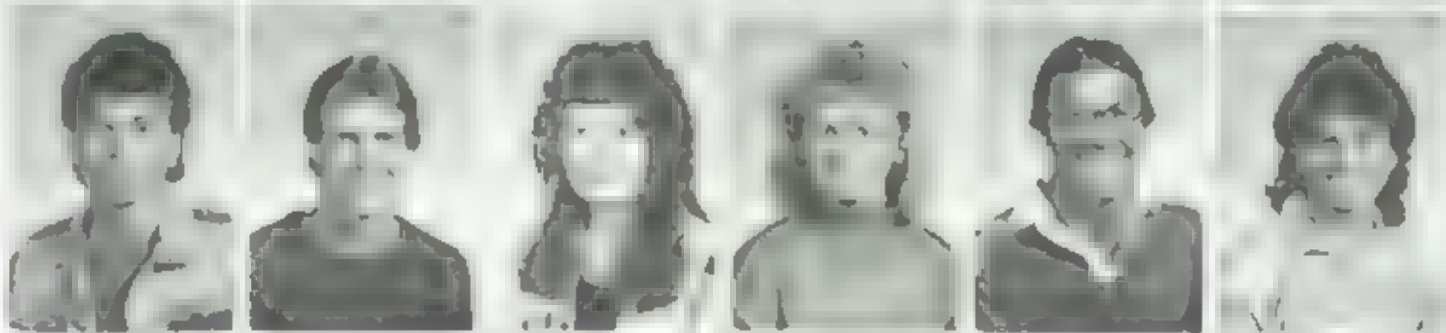
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James Fritzsche, Jr.
Kristi Fuller
 David Gallegos
 Belen Garcia
David Garcia



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Jeff Galmore
 Yvette Godwin
 Kris Golsan
 Fred Gomez
 Monica Griego
 Mike Heimsoth
 Candace Helm
Tiffanie Henry



Ingrid Hermanson
Joanne Hogan
Tracy Holland
Amanda Hostetter
 James Hsu
 Natalie Iness
 Jennifer James
Samuel Cary Johnson
Sara Judson



Kristi Kane
 Christy Kesselring
 Lisa Lee
 Jennifer Lopez
Leslie Lopez
 Karen Lujan
Justin Madrid
 Jeremy Maestas
 Alysia Martinez





Community support enlisted for Prom

Juniors Rah.

Being a junior had its ups and downs. A lot of responsibilities went with the new-found power of being upperclassmen, including the planning and set-up for Prom. Juniors decided on a French theme for a foreign effect.

"Deciding on the theme and how we were going to decorate was the hardest part. We had a lot of support from the community, and especially the parents. It turned out great," gasped an exhausted Kris Golsan, class president. "We've never had to work so hard before. We have a really good class and they all turned out to help."

JUNIOR OFFICERS. Front row: Robbie Rael, secretary, Kris Golsan, president; Monica Griego, vice-president. Top row: Synda Sallee, representative; Jeff Gilmore, treasurer.





JAC WILLIAMSON CREATES another one of his many cartoons for *The Alamosan*.

Cartoonist Williamson adds professional touch to *Alamosan*, *El Alarado*

Jac Williamson, junior, was a great help in putting together *El Alarado* as well as *The Alamosan* this year. His expertise in drawing was used in editorial cartooning for the paper as well as designing the cover of the 1988 yearbook.

His talents as a cartoonist surfaced when he won an editorial cartoon contest in 1985. Since then, he has drawn such things as the logo for the Sunburn Classic for the last two years, and a mural on the wall of the weight room. He has entered many paintings in different art shows.

"I don't think of it as work because I really enjoy drawing," commented Jac.





Beverly Martinez
Marcie Martinez
Roman Martinez
Tammy Martinez
Michelle Masjel
Bill McLemore
Aurora Medina
Brenda Medina
Yvette Medina

Michelle Mestas
Rob Moeny
Patrick Montoya
Rich Morton
Jimmy Musquiz
Tyler Neely
Brenda Nielsen
Denise Ortiz
Leslie Owens

Anthony Quintana
Eugenio Quintana
Antonette Rael
Diego Rael
John Rael
Robbie Rael
Darren Rahn
Jason Rahn
Clint Ramstetter

Lisa Ann Romero
Shari Romero
Elizabeth Rosenberg
Shawn Rubidoux
Robby Rudder
Gary Ruybal
Nate Ruybal
Jon Salazar
Synda Sallee

Mike Sanchez
Daniel Sandoval
Lucas Sauer
Vida Senkus
Shawna Settle
Amy Sterk
Sean Studer
Lenny Tauares
Amy Taylor

Kristy Taylor
Craig Terpstra
Alexandra Thistleton
Lisa Thomas
Leslie Trower
Anna Trujillo
Eric VanIwaarden
Nicole Vigil
Mitch Wagner

Angela Ward
Brad Widhalm
Jac Williamson
Dustin Wingate



SENIOR OFFICERS. Seated: Marwin VanRy, president. Standing: Kevin McHugh, treasurer; Stephanie Johnson, vice-president; Eddie Tolsma, representative; Jennifer DeWitte, secretary.

Seniors 'kick back' for grand finale

Respect
So many want it.
So few get it.
We earned it

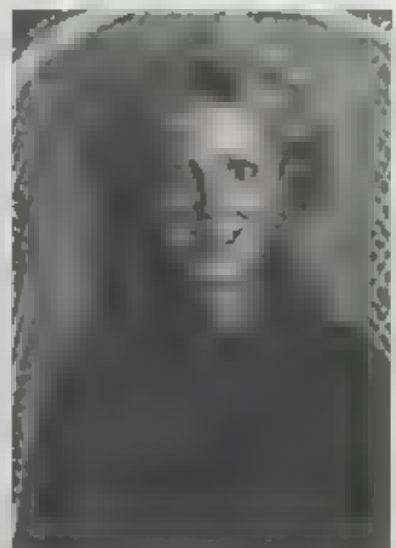
This year's seniors — the graduating class of 1988. What can be said that hasn't been said already? That we did our best? Fought our hardest? Set out to accomplish the impossible? Etc...Etc...Etc.? All that and more could be said but these sorts of things are more effective left unsaid

We earned everything we "got" and what we "got" was respect. Hats off to the Class of 1988. Give yourselves a big round of applause and pat yourselves on the backs. Go on, do it. Enjoy yourself, and have a good life... you earned it.
- Marwin Van Ry, Senior Class President





Anna Aldaz
 Teddy Archuleta
 John Atkinson
 Lora Marie Avila
 David Bateman
 Lance Benson



Catherine Elizabeth
 Bentley
 Jaclyn Marie Bini
 James Donald
 Botsford, Jr.
 Branden Bowen
 Tamra D'Lee Burger
 Lynda Kae Caldwell



Veronica Renae
 Candelaria
 Christie Lynn Carsen
 Wesley Scott-Carter
 Adrian Chavez
 Isaac H. Chavez
 Wendy Lee Christensen



Sherri M. Collina
 Michelle Leigh Corning
 Michelle Jeanette Davis
 Corey Dominic DeHerrera
 Melvin DeHerrera
 Jennifer Jean DeWitte

Amy Lea Dix
 Paul Duarte
 Tracey Lee Dunn
 Christina Espinoza
 Robert Espinoza
 Norma Flores



Marcia Lynn Fransen
 Corrina Lee Gallegos
 Danny A. Gallegos
 Mark A. Gallegos
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 Sharon Tammy Garcia



Casey Terrance Gibbs
 Jeremy Lee Gibbon
 Donia Jeanne Gomez
 Nadine Gonzales
 Patricia Lynn Gonzales
 Tanya Ximena Gonzales



Gregory Scott Gulley
 Angela Mae Haddock
 Gina Beth Heersink
 Travis Heersink
 Julia Dawn Hensley
 Justin Dean Hensley





ROBBIE JACKSON rides for charity in this 1986 race to earn money for the American Cancer Society. Jackson completed 72 miles this day.

Jackson cruises at breakneck speeds

Today's highways provide a location for swift-traveling, modern, high speed vehicles. Included among these vehicles was a bicycle owned by senior Robbie Jackson. Jackson told stories of a cruise down La Veta Pass at over 60 miles per hour on his bicycle.

This hobby started as transportation to a summer job in La Jara, 14 miles south of Alamosa. An old bicycle was used. Later, modern accessories made up Jackson's biking equipment and 14 miles was a mere warm-up ride.

A trip across the United States tested Jackson's persistence for a month during the summer of 1988. Even though Jackson won several Valley-wide competitions, this personal goal served as an elite accomplishment.



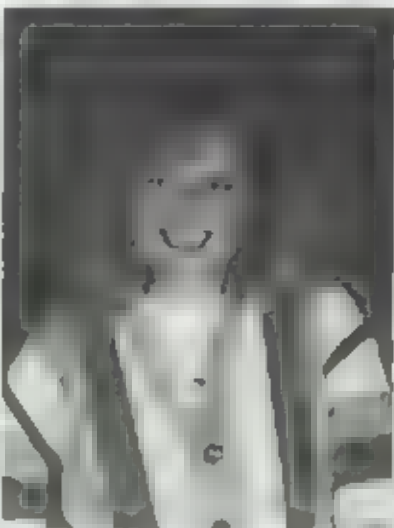
AFTER RETURNING from Basic Training, Linda Caldwell "hams it up" with a toy machine gun. She was not allowed to pose with real weapons during boot camp.

Female tackles 'Man's Army'

The day started with a four-mile run at 4 a.m., followed by many sets of push-ups and sit-ups. Then it was back to the barracks to clean long enough to pass the white-glove test. After this, the rest of the day was used for training with M-16 rifles, M-60 machine guns, hand-to-hand combat and survival techniques.

For eight weeks during Summer Basic Training, this was senior Lynda Caldwell's way of life. She says it is still a "man's army," and that she was the youngest one there, man or woman. "I got a bunch of hassle from the guys, but it really is fun."

Lynda served in the National Guard after boot camp, and received 75 percent of her college tuition through the G.I. Bill. She earned approximately \$2,000 for the summer, along with \$110 monthly for participating in Guard drills one weekend a month in Monte Vista and other parts of Colorado.





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Pamela Sue Hill
Michelle Ann Hof
Jason Lee Howe
Janine Dianne Irvine
Robert Edwin Jackson



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Jeffrey Keith Johnson
Robin Rani Johnson
Stephanie Ann Johnson
Kristen Elaine Jones
James Robert Kingery



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Robyn Kriewald
Tami Lynette Krout
Lisa Ann Lingaas
Alex Steven Lopez
Ann Marie Lopez



Shirley A. Lopez
Casie K. Lucas
Rod D. Madrid
Eric Mark Maestas
Jason H. Maestas
Patrick Allen Maez

B. Danean Mangan
 Cesar Joseph Martinez
 Jason Martinez
 Mary L. Martinez
 Lisa Marie Martinez
 Rebecca Jean Mattick



Kevin Matthew McHugh
 Lorinda Theresa Medina
 Shawn Lee Medina
Cynthia L. Melonas
 Thomas Leonard Miera
 Darren Duane Mizokami



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Cynthia M. Rios



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TOP TEN SCHOLARS. Front row: Yvette Scarlett, Michelle Corning, Gina Heersink. Row 2: John Phillips, Robbie Jackson, Jennifer DeWitte. Row 3: Tracey Dunn, Lori Thomas, Marwin VanRy, Kathy Seese.

Extremely small difference separates top scholars' GPA

Separated by less than one-hundredth of a percentile, the top ten of the senior class were a competitive group.

"Seven of the ten did extremely well on ACT or SAT scores," said Mrs. Sadie Martinez, guidance counselor.

Girls outnumbered boys two to one, though top honors went to one of each. Tracey Dunn, valedictorian, and Robbie Jackson, salutatorian, had the two top averages.

"This was one of the most competitive classes I have ever seen here," commented Mrs. Janice Watkins, yearbook adviser. "Everybody wanted to be number one, and maintaining class rank often caused hard feelings among the group."

"They seem to have spent all their time studying," commented a class member not among the top ten.





Clinton Dale Smith
Trinette Lynn Smith
 Lori Ann Thomas
 Edward N. Tolsma
Anna L. Trujillo



Gloria Betty Ulibarri
 Chris Thomas Valdez
 Danette Jan Vance
 Marcie Lynn Vance
 Marwin Wayne Van Ry



Mark Wakefield
Shawna Lynn Walker
 Dennis Michael Wheeler
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Ernie Wooten

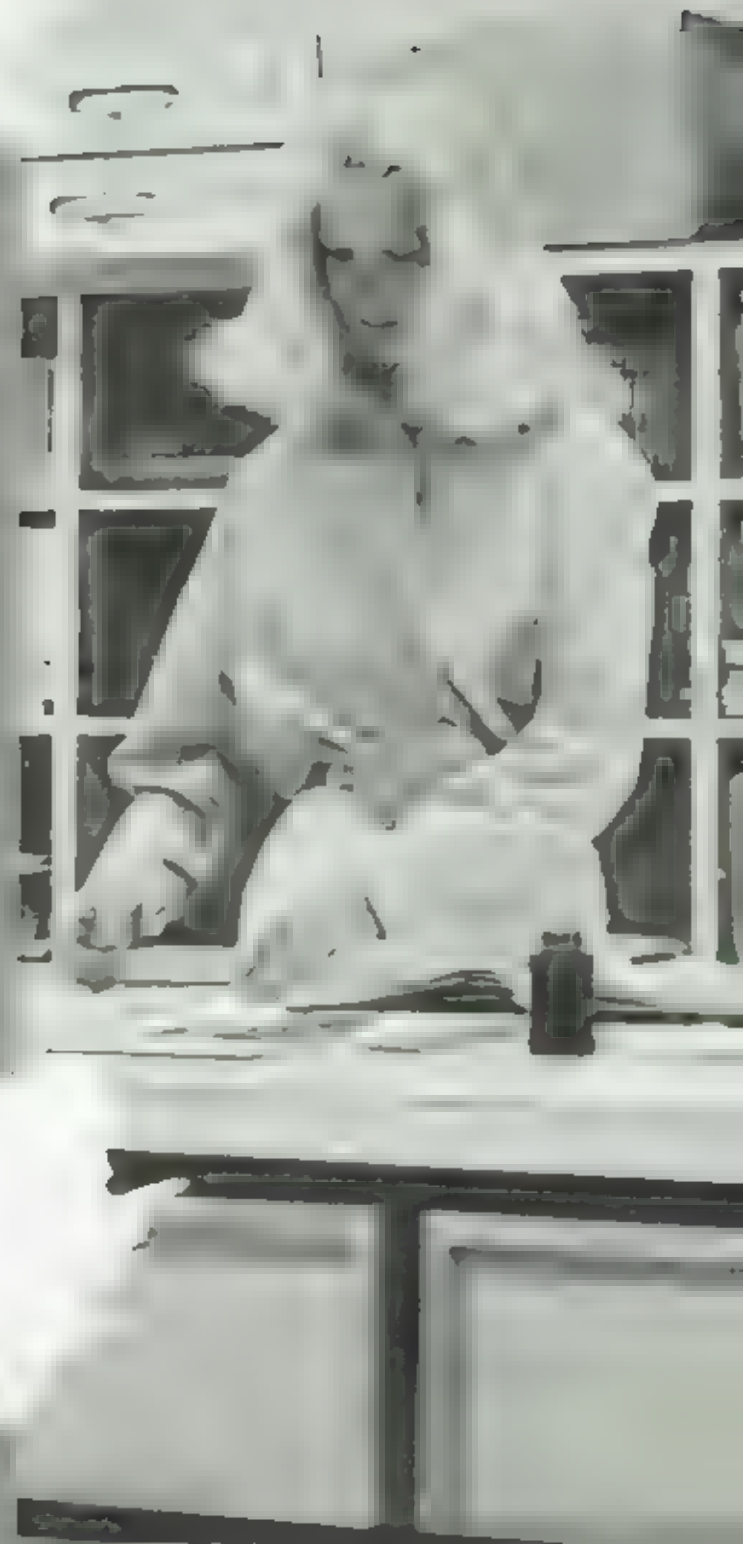


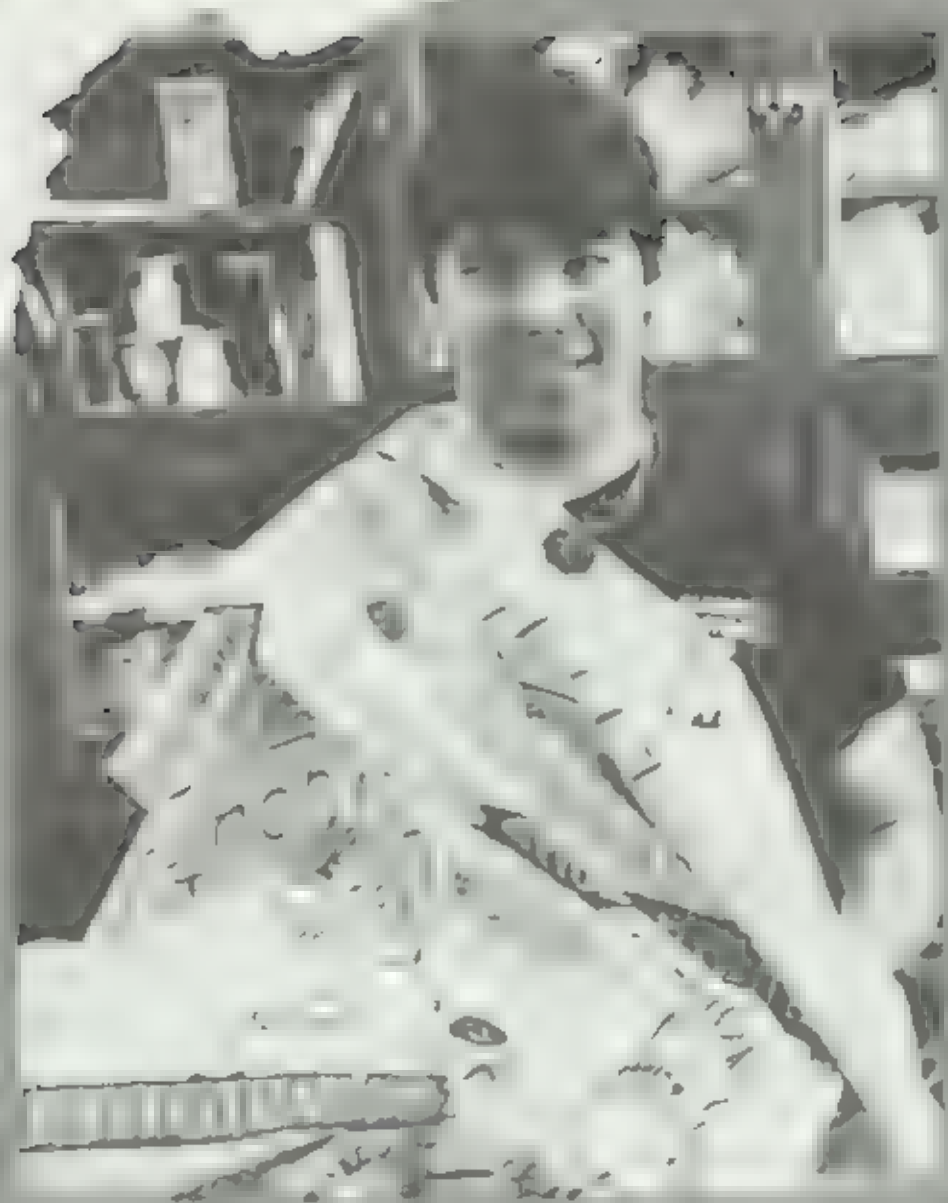
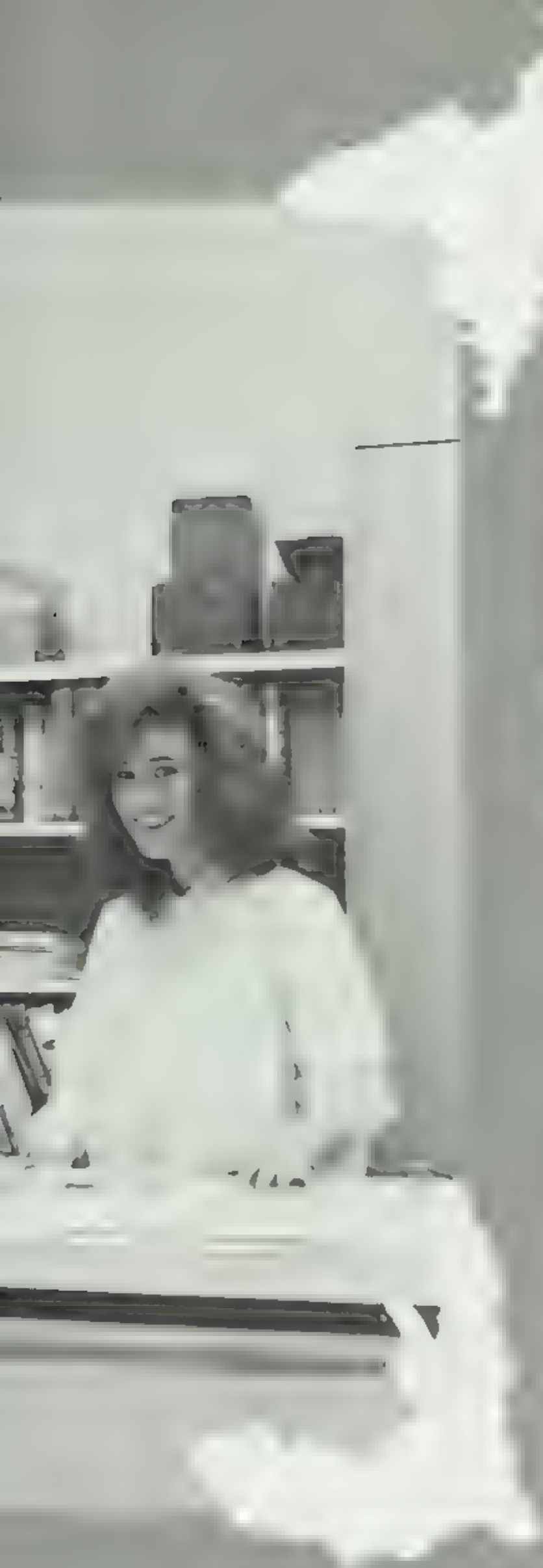
Jeri Lyn Young
 Andrew James Zanski

SENIORS NOT PICTURED: Amy Archuleta, Richard Arellano, Michael Anthony Cordova, Sam Molina, Donna Petross, Robert Theodore Roman.

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INTERESTED READERS Travis Heersink, Andy Zanski, and Eddie Tolama educate themselves with the variety of magazines at Stop-N-Shop.

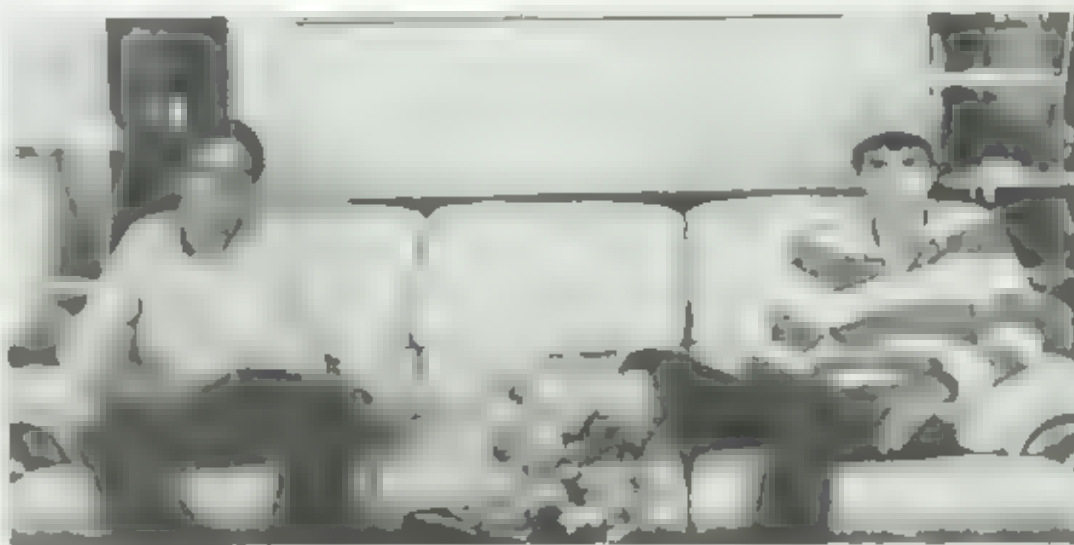
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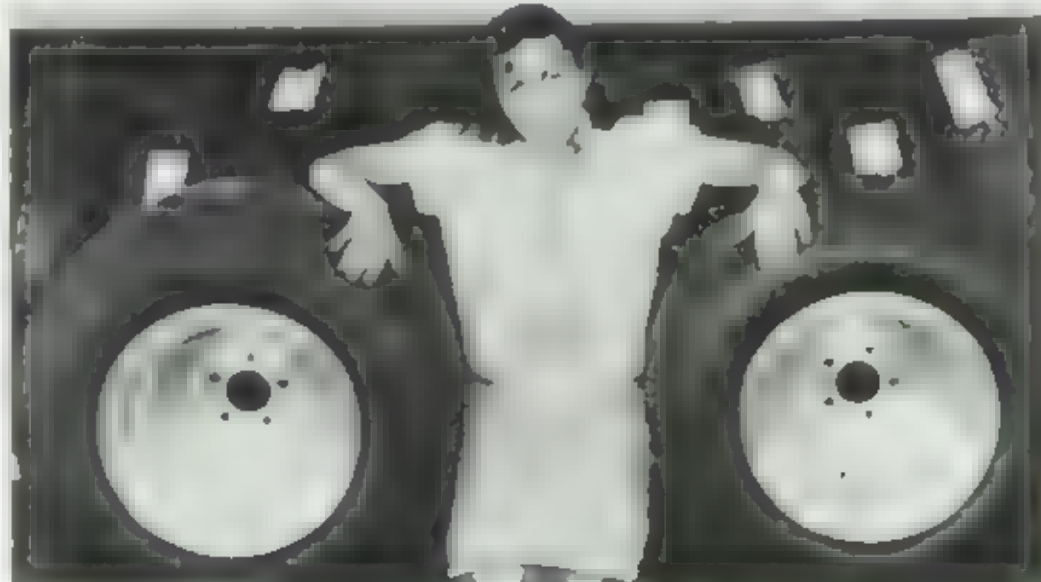
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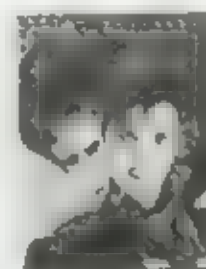
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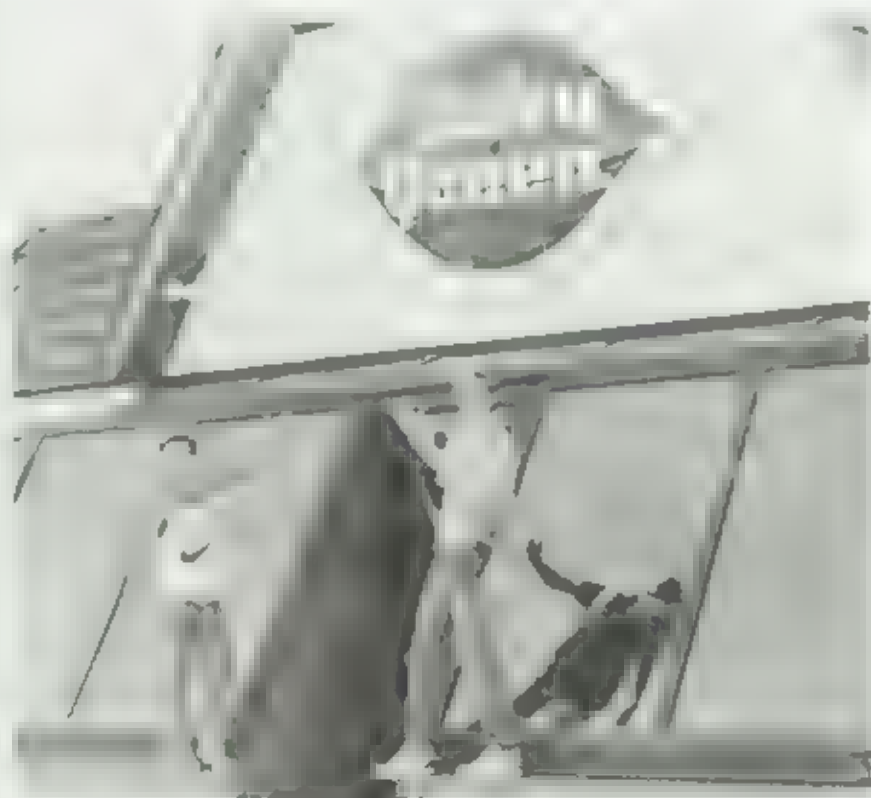


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Alamosa National Bank

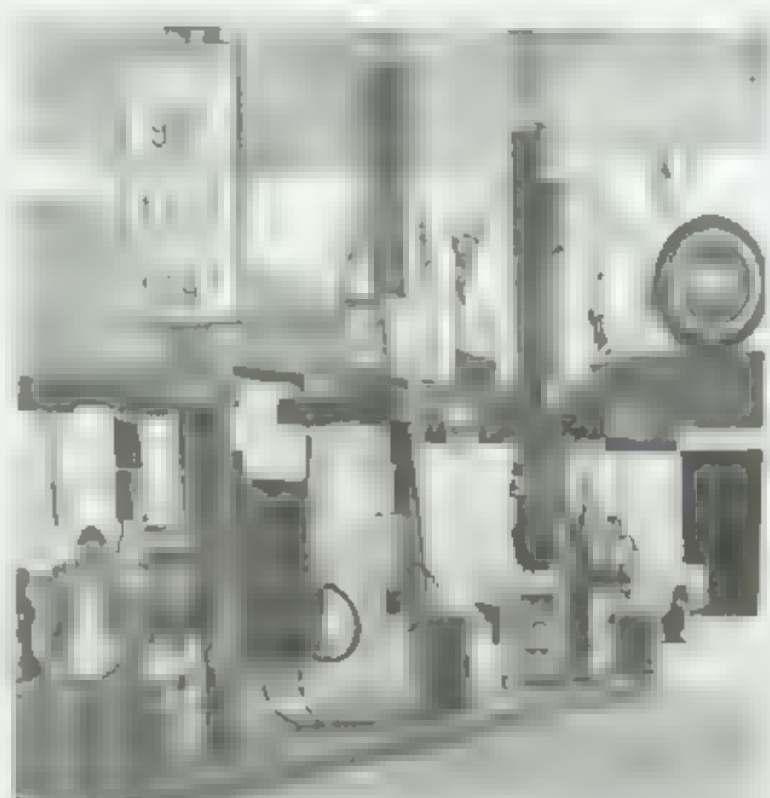
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CURIOUS ABOUT NEWS in the San Luis Valley, Janet Sears, Mr. Larry Gardner, and David Price read intently, while Robbie Jackson strays from the funny section.

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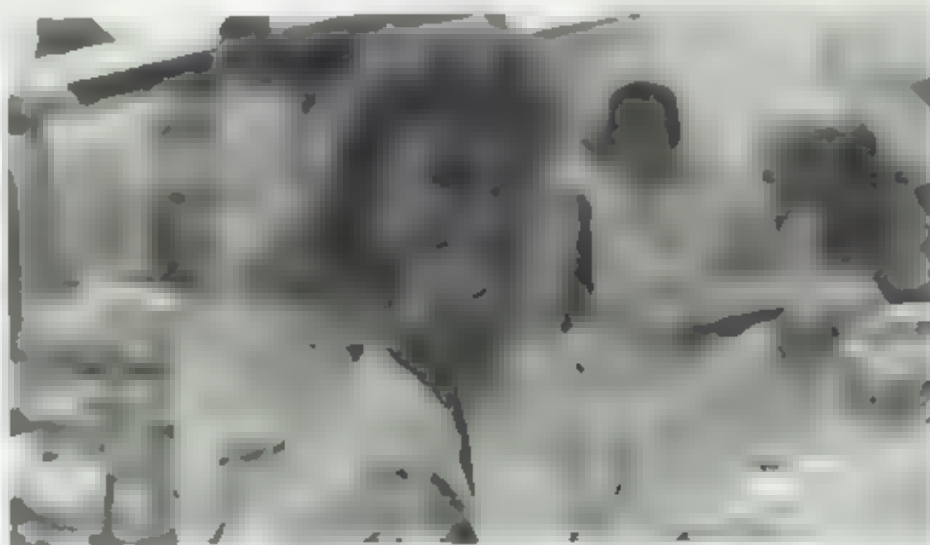
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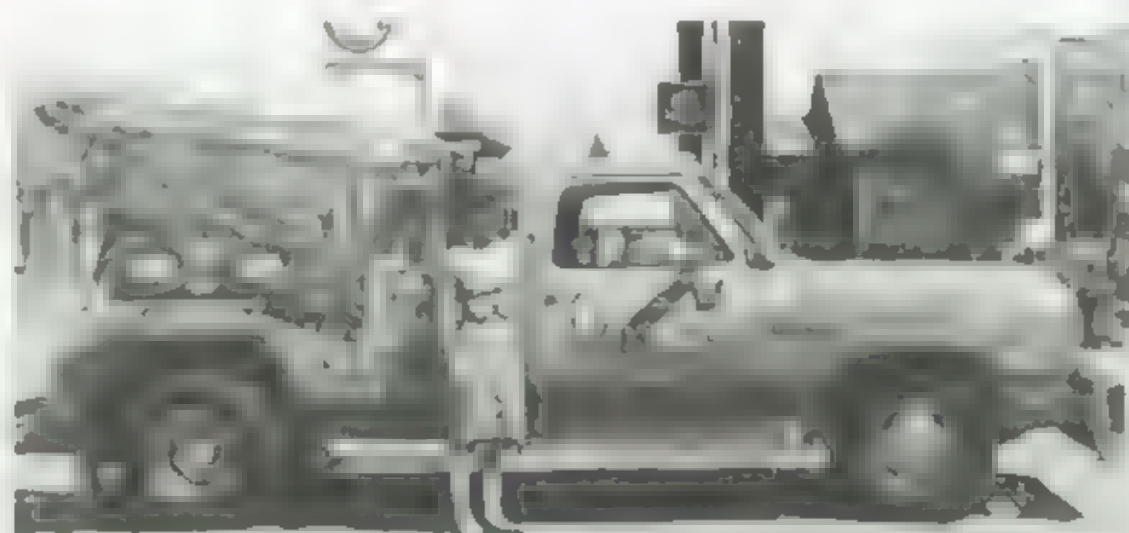
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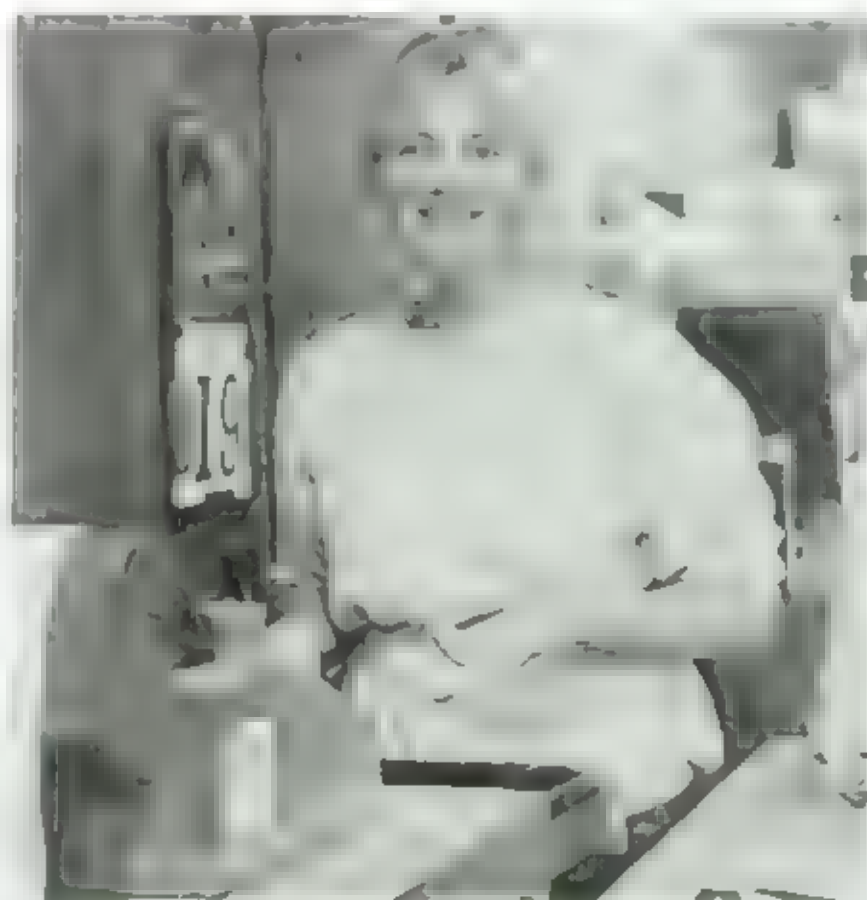
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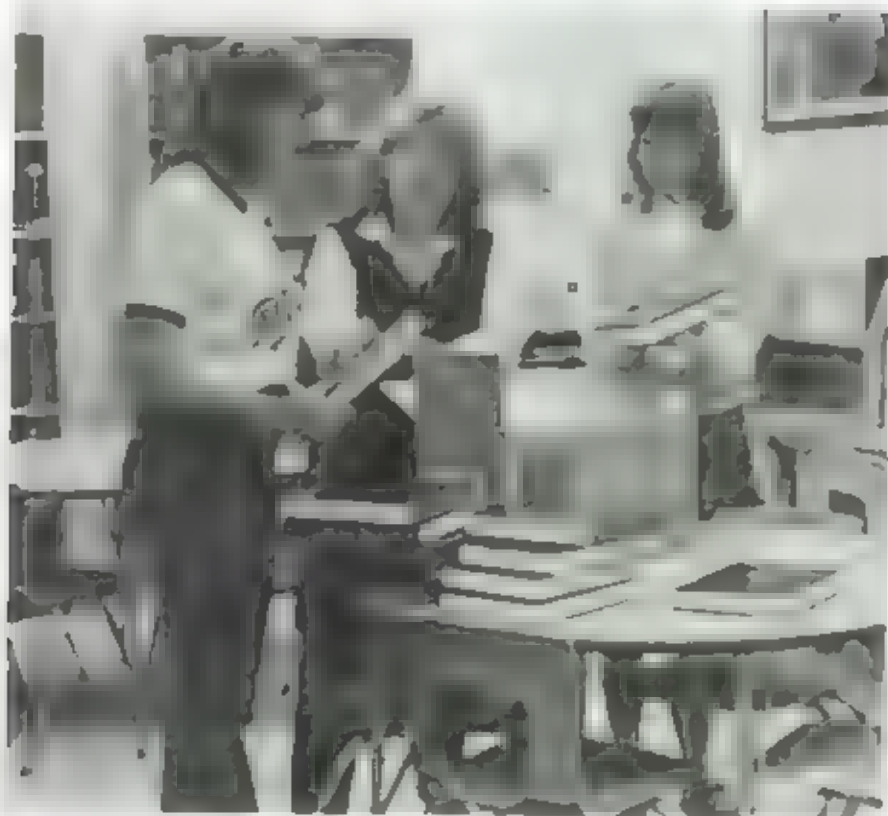
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LIBRARY AIDE JANINE IRVINE, Mrs. Kathy Lore, and Mrs. Julie Metz unpack newly donated encyclopedias from Lore. They are now available to high school students.

JOSETTE URIOSTE, KAREN RUBIDOUX, and Katherine Meder go Hawaiian for the Halloween dance.

EXCITED TO BE HOME from winning the state wrestling title, Mr. Gary Ramstetter and his wife, Tony, Gary Martin, Leo Ramirez, and Verla Rutgers enjoy the pizza and pop provided for them by the cheerleaders and Maroon Pride.

The world is a funny place sometimes

There once was a time when the world was a peaceful place, a place where it was fun to live, a little dull perhaps, but still a decent sort of a home. Then, somehow, somewhere, the world took a turn for the bad and people could no longer be trusted

Who would have expected that Jimmy Swaggart, the great denouncer of sin and corruption, the savior of the elderly T.V. viewer, would be caught watching prostitutes dance around in their skivvies. He claims he never actually touched them but if you were in a room with a near-naked woman, what would you do? (Just wondering.)

What about Gary Hart? Last year he was caught fooling around on a ship ironically named 'Monkey Business' with a scantily clad Donna Rice. After all of that had blown over, Hart re-entered the presidential race and dropped out after votes for him were as scarce as V.D. in a monastery. Now we're shaking our fingers at Gary but we're patting Donna on the back for those wonderful blue jean commercials.

Jesse Jackson, the first black U.S. presidential candidate, is still in the race even though experts were predicting an early withdrawal by the former minister. The press, never one to leave anyone out of the scandal race, released pictures of Jackson and Fidel Castro taken back somewhere in the seventies when afros were still cool. But nonetheless, he's still in there fighting it out and now America is wondering what will happen if he wins the presidency.

1988 also brought us the winter olympics. Not a



whole lot to say about that except that one of the rare chances we had to "come home with the gold" was a woman figure skater named Debbie Thomas. The entire country watched in awe as she began her routine and witnessed her chances dissolve to nothing. The horror! The horror!

Now instead of training U.S. athletes harder, the government has appropriated funds to start a committee whose main objective was to find out why we didn't take home more medals. I'll tell you why. It's because we didn't win.

At the local level Alamogordo High School won its first state wrestling championship ever and crowned the first individual champion in eleven years, Alex Lopez. They were named the Channel 13 "Athletes of the Week" and were featured on a newscip. Coach Gary Ramstetter won Coach of the Year and a large trophy as well from NewsCenter 4.

Not bad.

The boys' varsity basketball team came within one shot of it all but fell short to take a respectable state runner-up. There was a definite thrill watching the team play on the floor of McNichols. (Just think. The basketball team played in the same arena that Fleetwood Mac did. I like that.)

Cross country, baseball, track, volleyball, gymnastics, and football each gave an astounding performance at state competition level as well. Our own Ximena Gonzales took home three first place titles from the state track meet in Grand Junction including one state record as the girls finished second over-all.

On the entertainment scene, the group U2 released their new album "The Joshua Tree" in the summer of

'87 and it immediately topped the chart. Later, they were awarded group and album of the year by "Rolling Stone" magazine and walked proudly away with various other awards.

Michael Jackson made headlines again this year with the long-awaited release of his "Thriller" follow-up, "Bad." Jackson was also given some highly prestigious awards by "Rolling Stone," including: worst dressed, worst album, worst album cover, and most unwelcome comeback. Not bad for a little guy with a high voice and two facelifts. (I like his cute little pug nose, myself!)

Speaking of comebacks, there was Aerosmith, Dusty Springfield, Rick Springfield, Pink Floyd, Rod Stewart, Fleetwood Mac (right on!), Def Leppard (again, right on!), and the Grateful Dead, just to name a few. (As for the Grateful Dead, I'll be grateful when they are.)

Things came and went but when you think about it, nothing ever really changes. Some good. Some bad. A lot of guesswork. That's about all it ever is.

One last thing, our yearbook theme, "Please Don't Erase," came out of multi-talented, multi-purpose brains. Well, actually the staff couldn't really decide on a theme so while we were debating (dog fighting) over the themes it didn't want, one of those "brains" came up with a "brilliant idea." There he was, with a blank stare on his quivering face, lips trembling, body still.

"Look at the blackboard, everyone. Just look at it for a second," he said hoarsely.

There it was, shining down on us. The rest is history. So...

Please Don't Erase...



ACID WASHED JEANS were the clothing fad of the year, driving some parents wild when their kids would buy clothing that already looked worn out.

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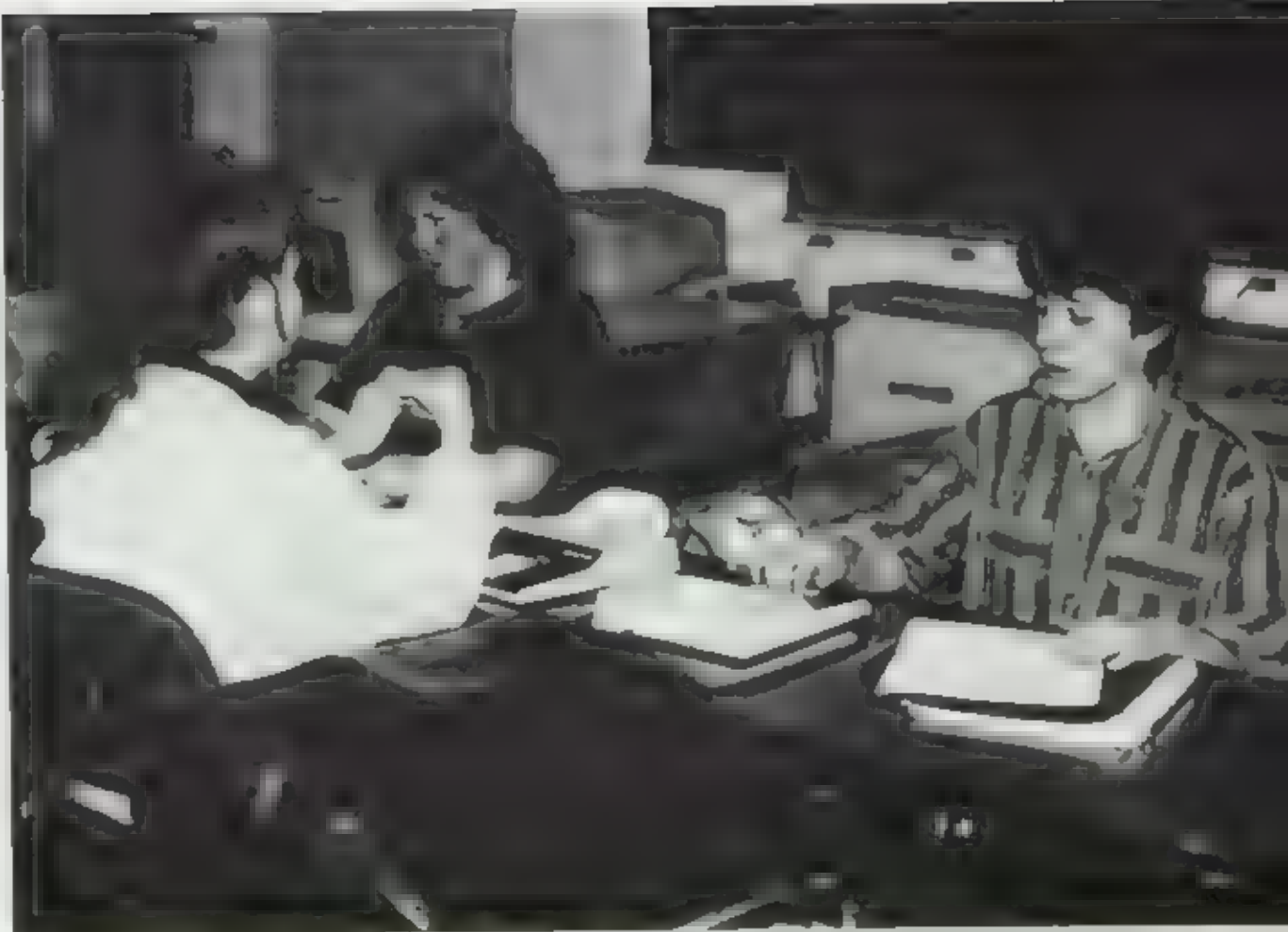
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Stronger, and tested our love for one-
I can't begin to
All I can hope is that ~~when~~ when we
relationship when it started,

(cupcake)

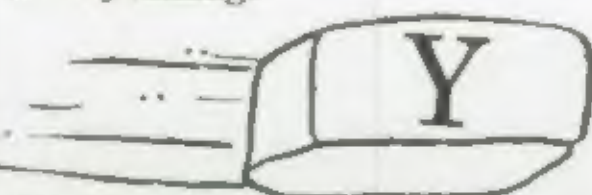


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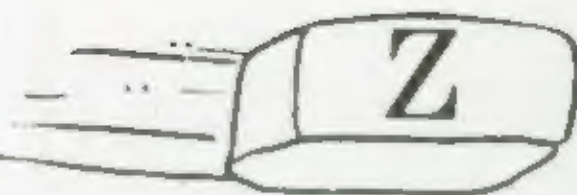


XIMENA GONZALES of the Class of 1988 graduated holding 13 school records in running events. She won a scholarship to the University of Wyoming.



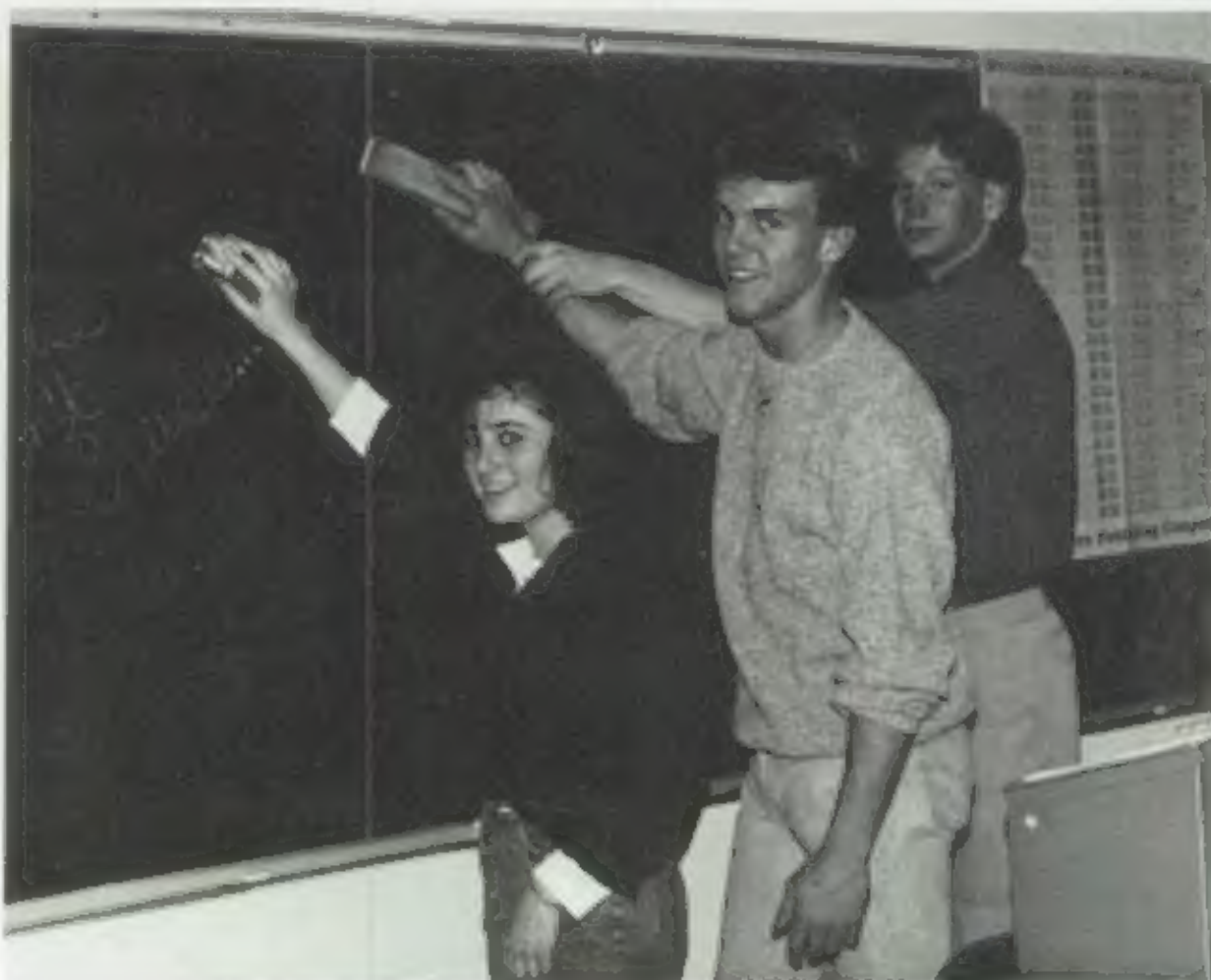
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Carol-
It's been great
knowing you. I'm really
glad you came to Alamosa.
It's our senior year so let's make
the best of it. Good Luck.

Truly,

Maria Padilla
jj

Carol-

Great to know you even
tho I don't ^{know} you that
well. Hope you have a great
year

Dale

Gummi Bears, Gummi Bears - They're eating my
Brain... Don't snort Dandelions, enjoy your
self where ever you are. ~~It~~ I'll lead the road
of the starving actor / artist what fun, who knows
I may get famous.

Baron Marlin Kaplan

Ross Martini

